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Weather Forecast

Victoria and Vicinity—Tuesday: Light to moderate winds, cloudy with little change in temperature. Sunday's Temperatures—Min. 35; Max. 39. Sunshine: 12 mins. Temp. noon Monday, 37. Victoria has over 600 hours more sunshine a year than other coast cities, less than half the rainfall

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Yanks Hit Back At Advancing Nazis

British Paratroopers, Tanks Fight in Streets of Athens

The week-end brought no settlement of the dispute in Greece. Above is a glimpse of a street action last week in which British paratroopers took part.

The British used tanks, as shown above, to cover troops entering an E.A.M. building, which they cleared of opponents.

33 More Jap Ships Sunk By U.S. Subs

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. submarines have sunk 33 more Japanese ships, including a light cruiser, three destroyers and six escort vessels, in their latest forays in the Pacific, the navy reported this afternoon.

The new tally brings the total of enemy ships of all types sunk by submarines since the start of the war to 907, with 94 of them warships.

69-Mile Front On Czech Border

LONDON (CP) — Russian troops in northern Hungary have reached the old Czechoslovak border along a front 69 miles long, a broadcast Soviet communique announced tonight.

The Soviet positions were taken north and northwest of the Hungarian town of Miskolc, the communique said.

Jap Ministers See Emperor Hirohito

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The Tokyo radio said today that Premier Kuniaki Koiso and Foreign Minister Shigemitsu had conferred separately with Emperor Hirohito.

Koiso reported on "state affairs in general," the broadcast said. Later, Shigemitsu was granted an audience to report on "matters under his jurisdiction."

(There was no indication whether these meetings may have been inspired by Japan's deteriorating position in the Philippines or by the increasing tempo of the B-29 raids on Japan.)

Rita Now Mother

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP)—Actress Rita Hayworth presented her husband, Orson Welles, with a six and one-half pound baby girl Sunday night at St. John's Hospital, attendants at the hospital said today. Dr. Blake Watson performed a Caesarean operation.

Canada Not Letting Japs Mass in B.C.

OTTAWA (CP)—The Canadian government has already outlined its policy with regard to Japanese in Canada and is not expected to follow the United States in revoking orders excluding persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast, as announced Sunday in Washington.

Vatican Paper Scores Churchill

VATICAN CITY (AP)—L'Osservatore Romano, commenting today on Prime Minister Churchill's stand on Poland, said "The example of Poland makes one think of Versailles, where the last war was going to be buried and a new one was planted."

C.P. Earnings Down

MONTREAL (CP) — Decrease of $219,000 or 3.6 per cent was reported today by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in earnings of $5,821,000 for the week ended Dec. 14, compared with receipts of $6,040,000 in the corresponding period in 1943.

Want Japs Back

VANCOUVER, Wash., (AP)—Resolutions favoring the return of Japanese-Americans to the West Coast, since security reasons no longer require their banishment, were passed by Vancouver, Wash., and Clark County Ministerial Associations today.

Since the army has decided it is safe for these persons to return, "we feel that the people of the West Coast should welcome American citizens of Japanese ancestry back to our communities," the resolutions said.

Japanese Report Superfort Raids

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The Japanese today reported an 18-hour series of Superfort raids on some of the most important Nippon war production centres, including a 70-plane assault on Nagoya, aircraft manufacturing centre, which admittedly was damaged.

A series of enemy broadcasts picked up by the U.S. Communications Commission said Nagoya took the main weight of explosive and incendiary bombs dropped, but that Yokosuka and Shizuoka also were hit.

Street Car Strike Looms for Jan. 6

VANCOUVER (CP) — Charles Stewart, chairman of the advisory board of the Street Railwaymen's Union, in a statement issued today said a complete tie-up of streetcar and bus services in Vancouver, New Westminster and Victoria may begin Jan. 6 if the National War Labor Board does not give a decision by Jan. 4 on a wage appeal.

Mr. Stewart said a referendum vote would be held next Friday on whether to strike in protest against delay in giving a decision on a union appeal against a regional War Labor Board ruling granting average wage increases of 4½ cents an hour. The employees had asked increases ranging from 10 to 16 cents.

The statement added that the workers do not want to strike, but if they do, the employer, the B.C. Electric Railway Company, will be to blame, because of its "uncompromising attitude and failure to negotiate."

Company officials declined to make any comment.

A strike would involve 2,600 employees in the three cities.

In Victoria, Fred Davison, president of the local, said today following week-end meetings, a referendum vote would be held Friday to determine what action to take.

Workers started negotiations last spring for a change in the wage structure, asking 10 to 16 cents an hour increase. Regional War Labor Board granted 4½ cents an hour raise. Members appealed to the National War Labor Board more than a month ago, but have not yet received a ruling.

"This is definitely a strike vote," Mr. Davison said.

U.S. to Go Along With Other Allies On Polish Borders

WASHINGTON (AP) — State Secretary Stettinius announced today the U.S. government would have no objection to an agreement "on the future frontiers of Poland" if the United Nations concerned agreed on them.

Mr. Stettinius read a three-point statement on the Polish question to a news conference. It followed Prime Minister Churchill's announcement in the House of Commons Friday that Britain had agreed that the eastern third of Poland should be turned over to Russia.

Mr. Stettinius said it had been the U.S. government's consistently held policy that questions relating to boundaries should be kept in abeyance until the termination of hostilities."

He recalled, however, an earlier statement by former State Secretary Hull that some questions might be settled in the meantime by "friendly conference and agreement."

Mr. Stettinius' statement implied that the U.S. would approve the changed Polish boundaries provided the Polish government accepted the Curzon Line as its eastern border. Inferentially, it put the next step up to the Polish government in London.

The Earl of Halifax, British ambassador to the U.S., called on Mr. Stettinius this morning before the Polish statement was issued, but the Secretary of State said they discussed routine matters apparently not connected with Poland.

Mr. Stettinius, while avoiding direct approval of the partition of Poland, promised U.S. aid for Poland in any transfer of peoples necessitated by a border agreement.

He said the U.S. could not guarantee specific European frontiers, but that it was working for establishment of a world security organization. He suggested a Polish-Russian frontier settlement could make an essential contribution to prosecution of the war.

Soviet Artillery Pounds Budapest At Short Range

MOSCOW (AP)—Soviet big guns firing from newly-won positions within 5½ miles of Budapest crashed an avalanche of steel against the inner defences of the Hungarian capital today, while Red Army units reached the Slovak border at a new point 72 miles northeast of the city.

The scope of the Red Army's Hungarian offensive was emphasized by the official Communist Party newspaper Pravda, which said that as many German divisions were engaged on the southern sector of the eastern front as against all the Allied forces in the west.

Hundreds of Germans were slain in the bloody fighting that resulted Sunday in the capture of Fot, 5½ miles northeast of Budapest, and Mogyorod, eight miles from the capital, the Russians announced.

The Red Army thrust to Slovakia, with the capture of 40 towns, including Susa, represented a gain of 15 miles northwest of Miskolc. It appeared almost certain that the Germans cannot much longer remain in Kassa.

British Launch All-Out Drive In Athens; Control Vital Road

By STEPHEN BARBER

ATHENS (AP)—British forces launched a full-scale drive against left wing E.L.A.S. forces in Athens today and it appeared likely to be only a matter of hours before the siege of the capital is lifted.

Within a short time after jumping off at dawn the British had captured an E.L.A.S. stronghold on the highway leading from Athens through the summer resort of Phaleron to the Kalamaki airport. The E.L.A.S. forces, estimated at about 200, had barricaded themselves in a brewery and were equipped with heavy machine guns.

One Kalamaki airport already had been cleared to a depth of 300 yards and British armored vehicles were traversing the road from Athens to Piraeus.

CAPTURE HILL

Before the main attack began, British forces took Sikelias Hill, due south of the Acropolis, which had been strongly held by the E.L.A.S.

The first goal of the British clean-up operations was to open the main highway between Athens, the port of Piraeus and Kalamaki airport.

Armored forces as well as infantry participated. A number of prisoners were taken in the first hours of the drive.

Fighting had increased in Athens during the week-end following rejection by Lt.-Gen. R. M. Scobie of E.A.M. peace proposals.

British headquarters reported Scobie had turned down the peace offer because it did not provide for the immediate cessation of the two-week-old civil warfare as a preliminary to final negotiations.

(In London, a Greek government spokesman said today King George II of Greece was "studying the question of a regency." The Greek King Sunday was closeted with advisers, and it was understood he was in close touch with the British Foreign Office.)

TWO CANADIAN V.C.'s HOME FOR CHRISTMAS — Maj. John K. Mahony, V.C., right, New Westminster, and Maj. David V. Currie, V.C., left, Owen Sound, Ont. This picture was taken by an army photographer soon after they had arrived back in Canada.

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP)—Thousands of persons lined downtown streets here today as New Westminster paid tribute to Maj. John Keefer Mahony, V.C. The city's famous home-coming soldier, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mahony, rode in an open car between flag-decked buildings as a parade wound through city streets.

All stores were closed to enable citizens to participate in the official celebration of Maj. Mahony's home-coming.

The official celebration will be climaxed tonight with a public reception in the Queen's Park Arena. Maj. Mahony will be presented with a gold watch.

Maj. Mahony, who arrived Saturday by plane, spent Sunday quietly with his family.

HONOR FOR CURRIE

MOOSE JAW (CP)—A civic reception will be given Maj. David V. Currie, recent winner of the Victoria Cross, when he arrives here Dec. 29, said Alderman Harold Pope, chairman of the Citizens' Committee today.

May Cut Interest On Prepaid Taxes

A proposal to reduce the interest allowance granted city property owners who prepay their taxes was drafted by D. A. Macdonald, city comptroller-treasurer, for consideration by the City Council today.

The action was taken on the recommendation of Ald. W. L. Morgan, finance committee chairman, whom Mr. Macdonald approached. The alderman noted two members of the finance committee would be missing from next year's council and thought the full board should deal with the matter.

By reducing the allowance from 5 per cent per annual to 4 per cent per annum, the city would save approximately $4,600, Mr. Macdonald said. As it now operates, the credit for early cash amounts to approximately 3¾ per cent on accounts paid at beginning of the year and bearing interest until October, when taxes fall due. A reduction to 4 per cent per annum would give prepayers 3 per cent on levies met at the beginning of the year.

Houde Sworn In

MONTREAL (CP) — Mayor-Elect Camillien Houde today was sworn in as chief magistrate of Montreal. The ceremony took place an hour after former Mayor Adhemar Raynault had left his office in the City Hall and become a private citizen again.

Mr. Houde was elected mayor a week ago today.

80th Jap Admiral Killed in Action

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Domei, the Japanese news agency, disclosed today that another Japanese admiral had died in action, raising to 80 the number reported by Tokyo to have died since May.

The Domei dispatch, recorded by the U.S. Federal Communications Commission, identified the latest casualty as Vice-Admiral Hiroshi Nwkagawa. It did not tell where or when his death occurred.

Clash Now Raging May Be Decisive; News Blacked Out

By EDWARD KENNEDY

PARIS (AP) — The United States 1st Army struck back at advancing German columns of infantry and armor in Belgium and Luxembourg today in a fierce battle which may prove to be one of the most decisive of the war.

Tonight Berlin claimed the Germans had crossed the northern part of Luxembourg on a broad front and were nearing the Luxembourg-Belgian border. The Allied-controlled radio station at Eindhoven, Holland, went abruptly off the air without explanation.

ACCEPT CHALLENGE

The Allied command accepted the challenge of Field Marshal Karl Rudolf Gerd von Rundstedt who was attempting his greatest counteroffensive against U.S. troops in Europe.

But the situation at the front was reported extremely fluid and for this reason Supreme Headquarters decided on a strict blackout on detailed information concerning the extent of the enemy advances and the countermoves of the Allied forces.

However, front line dispatches said Lt.-Gen Hodges had thrown armor against the German thrusts, and that British Spitfires and Tempests had come down from Holland to lend a hand to the Allied air forces.

The German air force continued to support the German winter strike on the biggest scale since the Allied landings in Normandy.

Throwing hundreds of carefully conserved planes, hundreds of tanks, many divisions and even parachutists into his sudden winter counteroffensive, Von Rundstedt had achieved a penetration of several miles in the U.S. lines, reinvaded Belgium in the Monschau area 16 miles south of Aachen, and re-entered Luxembourg at two other points.

Today the Germans were pushing their advance along an 80-mile front from the Monschau area to the southern tip of the Luxembourg border with new and more violent attacks.

NEWS UNDER COVER

Allied military authorities said it had been decided not to make public specific information now as to the exact places where the German columns were smashing through and how far they had advanced.

But 1st Army headquarters dispatches said the Germans had gained several miles and U.S. troops were locked in battle. The penetration apparently had been at least four miles in one area 10 miles east of Malmedy, a Belgian town just north of the Luxembourg border.

This was a push by a strong German armored column supported overnight by artillery and bombing and strafing planes on a seven-mile front.

Several German armored divisions and infantry divisions were striking savagely and bending back the lines of the fiercely struggling U.S. forces.

Elsewhere along the 80-mile front the Germans were delivering stiff punches aimed at seeking soft spots and there were indications the supreme German effort would mount in intensity before it subsided.

On other army fronts there were signs of impending German blows.

A German patrol raid Saturday had probed British 2nd Army positions in Holland, but the enemy was driven back. Elsewhere on the 21st Army Group front, part of which is held by the 1st Canadian Army in the De Wyler forest area of Germany, routine patrols were reported.

LUFTWAFFE REVIVED

U.S. 3rd Army dispatches said the heaviest enemy rail movement ever seen beyond the 3rd Army front had been observed Sunday.

Other reports from the British 2nd Army front said German fliers in the greatest strength since D-Day had appeared in the skies along the Aachen sector, along with many reconnaissance aircraft over the British front.

A 10-mile-long German column was blasted by Allied fighter-bombers in the Neunkirchen area, 10 miles northeast of Saarbrucken.

In the Alsace plain German counterattacks rolled over three villages in the Colmar and Selestat areas.

But at Gen. Eisenhower's Supreme Headquarters it was said the Allied commanders are taking measures to deal with the situation and that there was no cause for undue alarm.

Von Rundstedt undoubtedly has thrown a large part of his strategic reserve into this supreme effort, it was said, with the most likely purpose of derailing the Allied winter offensive and holding the Allies on the Roer River and the fringe of the Saar basin until spring.

It is possible, it was stated, that this may prove to be the final German effort to turn the tables.

By some it was compared with the great German First World War counter-offensive in the spring of 1918.

Gadsden Would Ban Pinball Games Here

Notice of motion to prohibit use of pinball machines was filed by Ald. B. J. Gadsden for City Council consideration today.

The alderman said he would ask the retiring police commissioner, Ald. Margaret D. Christie, to second the motion, notice of which asks:

"That the city solicitor be instructed to prepare a by-law prohibiting the operation or use of automatic amusement machines commonly known as 'pinball machines' and that such a by-law be introduced at the next general meeting of the City Council."

Premier King Greeted By World Leaders

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister King has received a steady flow of personal messages of congratulation and good-will from many leaders of the United Nations on the occasion of his 70th birthday, his office announced today.

They included greetings from the King and Queen, Prime Minister Churchill, President Roosevelt, Marshal Stalin, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Gen. de Gaulle. Sunday was his birthday.

Superforts Blast Nagoya, Hankow

SAIPAN (AP) — Superfortresses bombed Nagoya, Japanese industrial city, for about two hours today with approximately the same number of planes as staged the damaging raid of Dec. 13.

After the B29s had taken off on today's raid, Brig.-Gen. Haywood Hansell, 21st Bomber Command head, disclosed that additional photos showed that the Matsudoki factory in Nagoya was damaged more than previously supposed in last Wednesday's raid.

He said four large assembly buildings and 22 smaller structures in the factory area were destroyed or badly damaged.

HANKOW HIT

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two Japanese targets — Hankow, China, and Nagoya on the enemy's homeland—were struck Sunday by giant B29s of the 20th Air Force, it was announced early today.

The attack on Hankow was the first made on that target, the war department said.

A previous attack was made on Nagoya Dec. 13.

Former Premier Newfoundland Dies

TORONTO (CP) — Sir Alfred B. Morine, lawyer and one-time premier of Newfoundland, died today at his home here. He was 87.

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Her Dreams Brought Husband Into Court

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This excuse hardly holds water; but there are about 300,000 families in Canada whose first post-war purchase will be a new car, surveys show.

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McNaughton's Words Indicate H.D. Men May Be Overseas

OTTAWA (CP)—The first of the 16,000 Home Defence draftee infantrymen conscripted for overseas service may actually have arrived in the war theatres, in the opinion of some capital circles speculating on Defence Minister McNaughton's Saturday speech at Owen Sound, Ont.

Back in the capital after accepting the Liberal nomination to run in the North Grey by-election Feb. 4, Gen McNaughton did not elaborate on his acceptance speech comment that large numbers of reinforcements had already "gone forward."

"It was understood military security prevented the general from making his reinforcement reference any more explicit.

He actually said many thousands of men are now in movement towards the assembly areas in eastern Canada, where they are being marshaled prior to dispatch as reinforcements to our army. Large numbers have already gone forward."

MEETS OPPONENT

Concluding a two-day visit to launch his candidacy—the first political venture of his career—the general was photographed at the Owen Sound, Ont., station shaking hands with his Progressive Conservative opponent — Mayor Garfield Case.

Mayor Case had attended an organization meeting in Meaford, Ont., earlier in the day, and had rushed back to be at the station to say good-bye to the general. They chatted for five minutes, mostly on the plans for the Saturday night reception in Owen Sound of Maj. David Vivian Currie, Canada's most recent Victoria Cross winner.

Gen. McNaughton missed the reception but as the trains bearing the new defence minister and the war hero crossed, Gen. McNaughton shook hands with Maj. Currie and told him, "Your citation, Currie, was the finest Victoria Cross citation I've ever read."

The general arrived in Owen Sound Friday, met with party leaders, addressed a Liberal executive meeting and faced off the puck at a local hockey game.

Saturday he was formally nominated. He told the Liberal supporters he wanted the seat only for the period between now and the federal general election, when he expects to accept the invitation of his native Qu'Appelle riding in Saskatchewan, now held by E. E. Perley, a Progressive Conservative.

Day, Night Raids Pour Explosives On Key Nazi Points

LONDON (AP) — Hundreds of U.S. heavy bombers sped across the English Channel today to give Germany a daylight dose of the punishment poured on Munich, Ulm and Duisburg Sunday night by 1,300 British heavy bombers.

The big R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. planes dropped an estimated 7,000 tons of bombs on the three German cities, all key points in the Nazi railway network.

Fighters ranged ahead of the heavy bombers today to meet any challenge in the skies over western Europe's flaming battlelines.

The triple blow Sunday night—one of the first struck by R.A.F. heavy bombers in a week—came in the wake of a day of bitter air combat between German and Allied fighters.

The Germans had 108 fighters and bombers blasted out of the air Sunday in air battles accompanying the enemy's ground attacks. Two R.A.F. fighters were lost, both due to flak, and 31 U.S. pursuit craft were listed as missing.

CALLED FROM OTHER SECTORS

From all sectors Allied fighter craft were summoned—even the R.A.F. Spitfires, Tempests and Typhoons from the Netherlands—as a sudden break in the weather exposed long columns of German tanks, trucks and troops moving slowly toward the battle raging in the U.S. 1st Army lines.

The break in the weather forced the German command to rush planes in the air in an attempt to provide cover for the attacking ground troops.

U.S. bombers based in Britain could not get into the fray Sunday due to bad weather.

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This quartet of B.C. men in khaki was photographed as they landed in this country just in time to spend Christmas at home. From left to right, they are: Gnr. Hugh McCurdy of Vancouver, **Sgt. W. S. Paterson** of Victoria, RSM. R. F. Hill-Kirk of Vancouver, and **BSM. K. F. Buxton** of Victoria. BSM. Buxton, who served overseas with an anti-tank unit, is one of five sons of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. B. Buxton, 563 Head Street, now in the service. Another son, **Leslie (Sonny)**, is now in the B.C. police after service with the Canadian army including the Kiska campaign. Two other brothers are now home on leave: **Pte. Fred.**, who returned earlier this year from overseas where he was wounded at Ortona while serving with the P.P.C.L.I., and **L/Cpl. Dick**, home on Christmas leave from Vernon where he is stationed with the C.I.C. **Billy**, the well-known boxer, is still serving overseas with the P.P.C.L.I. **James Rodney**, who enlisted with the R.C.A.F. this year and is serving with the marine section, is still on duty. Mr. Buxton, the father, is a veteran of the last war. A younger son, **Frank**, 15, is with the Rainbow Sea Cadets.

Russians Resent U.S. Criticism Of Balkan War

MOSCOW (AP)—Soviet resentment at asserted foreign depreciation of the scope of the Red Army's Hungarian offensive boiled over Sunday in another attack by Pravda on the United States Army and Navy Journal.

The paper released figures purporting to show that as many German divisions were engaged on the southern sector of the eastern front as against all the Allied forces in the west.

The Moscow News, only English-language newspaper in the Soviet Union, said Saturday that as of Dec. 1, 220 enemy divisions—200 of them German—were tied up in the east. Seventy were located at the southern extremity of the front, presumably from Yugoslavia across Hungary into eastern Slovakia.

(Various unofficial estimates have said that 70 German divisions are arrayed against the Allies on the western front.)

Sunday, Russian-language newspapers repeated these figures, with Pravda directing its verbal fire against the Army and Navy Journal as "a source for Hitlerite propaganda"—much the same language it used Dec. 3 in attacking that publication for allegedly casting doubt whether Russia had fulfilled military decisions of Tehran.

Last week the U.S. Army and Navy Journal said:

"Since D-Day in France, greater preoccupation has been shown by Russia in her Baltic and Balkan campaigns, intended to insure her security, and by Great Britain in Italy, Greece and Albania, to protect her lifeline through the Mediterranean, than in achievement of the prime objective of our armies—the prompt defeat of Germany and concentration of all possible power to that end.

"The result has been that the expectation in Washington that the war in Europe would be over by the Pearl Harbor anniversary this week has not been realized."

Allied Fronts In N. Burma Join

KANDY (AP)—North Burma's scattered fronts were united into a single line when the Royal Scots Fusiliers, advancing toward the south, linked up Saturday with the British 14th Army elements pushing toward the east in the jungle area west of Indaw on the Myitkyina-Mandalay railway.

An area containing 2,000 inhabited localities, was freed from the last vestige of Japanese domination by the junction. Pinlebu, important enemy base and communications centre from which the invasion of India was launched last spring, was captured during the operations leading up to tthe meeting.

Prior to the present link-up the 5th Indian Division, striking out from the Imphal Valley, and the 11th East African Division, driving down the Kalewa Valley, had made a junction near Kalemyo, which is about 145 miles southwest of Indaw.

U.S. infantry and artillery, known as the "Mars Task Force," now are fighting in the north Burma theatre and are closer to Mandalay than any other Allied units.

The force was reported operating in the vicinity of Tonkwa, 120 miles north of Mandalay and about 100 miles southeast of Indaw.

Round-up

By TOM MERRIMAN

VICTORIA'S sunshine, doing its best at a time when Vancouver is enveloped in a pea-soup fog and Ontario towns are battling icy blizzards and heavy snowstorms, is making a deep impression on some of the many people here from the east and from the prairies.

Although zero temperatures and snow may bring advantages of skating and other winter sports to the districts that experience them, the sunshine of Victoria seems to transcend these pleasures. Of a number of servicemen from other parts interviewed yesterday, most of them enthusiastically endorse the Victoria climate.

Pte. Arthur E. Green said: "This sunshine in winter is being talked about by the servicemen here from all parts of Canada. There is the odd one who is disappointed at missing snow and winter sports but when they read about that blizzard in Ontario most of them seem to think it is better to sacrifice a few social and sport events for the mild sunny winters of Victoria."

NO ESKIMO

Raymond Lindgren, R.C.A.F., formerly of Kamsack, Sask., said: "I was born in a Saskatchewan snowdrift but thank heaven I am living in Victoria now. Life is too short to spend half of it being an Eskimo. Victoria has a choice of climate such as there is nowhere else in Canada."

Next serviceman questioned, Cpl. C. Hobson, R.C.A.F. photographer, was brief. "Yes, this is nice weather. Victoria gets the kind of weather California claims but without getting fried in summer. This chosen spot in Canada's otherwise grim climate is something to be proud of." It was learned that Cpl. Hobson is a native son of Victoria.

Stoker Donald MacKinnon, who comes from Vancouver, replied "Victoria weather is without a doubt the best in Canada," but he remains loyal to his home town. "Of course Vancouver is known all over the world, too, for its wonderful climate but there is more fog and rain there than in Victoria. Weather isn't the most important feature in deciding which is the best place to live. Vancouver has an advantage in its wonderful setting, public parks and diversified places of entertainment. One of the most beautiful sights in the world is the view across the sparkling waters of Burrard inlet on a frosty winter morning with the rays of the rising sun striking the snow-capped peaks of the Lions. Victoria has nothing to equal that."

FEELS COLD HERE

Pte. Anthony Sidetis, formerly of Fort William, Ont., thought Victoria's climate the best in Canada. "But I feel the cold here more than I did in northern Ontario," he said. "Maybe it is because we expect the cold there and do not expect it here so we notice it more, or may be it is because it is damper here. I prefer the weather in northern Ontario. We miss the winter sports, skating, hockey and skiing here, national sports of Canada, that every city ought to have."

Cpl. P. M. Egglestone said: "Normally in Vancouver at this time of year I would step out of the house in the morning to face a dense fog and stand waiting for a streetcar for an unpredictable time. I have seen it so bad in Vancouver that small boys have commercialized Vancouver's 'pea soupers' by posting themselves at each end of Burrard Bridge and with the aid of flashlights make a very good job of selling their services to motorists. They stand on the running board of the car to keep it a safe distance away from the bridge rail to guide it safely across. When I think of that I say give me the Victoria climate."

B.C. Battalion In Exposed Position In Sight of Enemy

By WILLIAM BOSS

WITH THE CANADIAN CORPS ON THE ADRIATIC (CP)—A western Canadian battalion holding the left flank of the Naviglio bridgehead is operating almost in the shade of the church steeple's of Bagnacavallo, pivotal road junction 11 miles due west of Canadian-captured Ravenna.

Every action of this Canadian formation is visible to enemy observation posts and the German direct mortar and artillery fire against them at the slightest movement.

The Germans presumably are holding Bagnacavallo as a protection for their withdrawal to the Senio River, and as an attempt to contain the Canadian left flank which is on a line running north from Boncellino on the Lamone River, three miles south of Bagnacavallo, to the Naviglio, just north of the town.

In their slow push along the Adriatic the Canadians have fought from one waterway to another, seeking to roll back the German left flank and force the enemy to hasten his gradual withdrawal toward the next natural defence line—the Adige River, which flows into the Adriatic north of the Po.

ANZIO OF ADRIATIC

Throughout this bridgehead—the Anzio of the Adriatic—the Canadians Friday night experienced the heaviest shell and mortar fire since last May's battles for the Hitler Line, which the Germans sought unsuccessfully to hold after the Gustav Line defending the Cassino had been breached.

However, gains ranging from 300 to 600 yards have been scored. Previously the foothold won across this waterway last Tuesday night had been widened by Friday night to four miles and its depth extended five-eights of a mile.

A 300-yard gain was carved by an Alberta infantry company under Lieut. E. L. M. McGregor, a western Canadian, while a company of British Columbia highlanders, under Maj. Don Duncan of Hamilton, Ont., gained 600 yards, and one under Capt. N. C. Featherstone of Vancouver gained 300 yards.

TANK REMOVED

McGregor's company succeeded in taking its objective, a junction of five roads, despite heavy enemy fire. The way to the objective was barred by a knocked-out enemy tank, which had to be removed to make way for supporting weapons.

Every time the vehicles seeking to tow the tank off the road "revved" their motors the Germans laid down a terrific barrage, but the Canadians removed the tank after a two-hour struggle. The objective was taken, along with 14 Germans.

After Maj. Duncan's company had seized a group of houses and 15 Germans following a sharp fight an enemy shell penetrated a house containing Canadians and the prisoners. Padre Roy Durnford of Prince Rupert, B.C., went up under fire to supervise evacuation of the wounded and the prisoners.

Meanwhile, as Capt. Featherstone's company made its gain and took 22 prisoners, other companies under Majors Colin MacDougall of Montreal, P. D. Crofton of Salt Spring Island, B.C., and Sam Potts (son of Maj.-Gen. A. E. Potts), improved their positions.

On the right flank, British Columbia and Ontario units are in contact with the enemy, while armored regiments in that area are operating north and south of Highway 16, the Ravenna-Ferrara road.

Hansard As Gift

OTTAWA (CP) — Santa Claus will come rollicking down many a chimney this Christmas with a load of—yes, its true—Hansards.

The Commons debates branch said today, with a hint of astonishment, that there have been numerous inquiries about the price of Hansard as a gift. Officials said they could not recall any greater demand for the record of Commons discussions that has developed since the special sitting which began Nov. 22.

Sales of reports of the speeches of Prime Minister King Nov. 27 and former Defence Minister Ralston Nov. 29, already are 2,500 above normal. There also has been a heavy demand for the Nov. 22 Hansard containing the exchange of letters between Mr. King and Col. Ralston on the latter's resignation.

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Story of Battle Not Properly Told

ADVANCE 5TH ARMY HEADQUARTERS (AP)—After a trip into the front lines during which they were under enemy fire, members of the touring U.S. House Military Committee expressed belief at a press conference Sunday that U.S. newspapers had failed to give a complete picture of the rigors of the Italian campaign.

The Congressmen said this was possibly caused by a lack of comprehension of the importance of the Italian campaign on the part of both the press and public back home.

"I think the story of the little men with wet feet and big men with wet feet has not been fully emphasized," Representative Clare Boothe Luce, Rep., Conn., said.

She added also that she did not think the story of women in the war had been too well told.

"I have seen too many pictures of pretty Wacs with an Air Corps captain, as though the idea were to join the Wacs to get a husband," Mrs. Luce said.

Find Nazi Grenade

VANCOUVER (CP) — A German hand grenade, believed to be loaded, was turned over to police at the week-end by Mrs. J. Maggs. The woman said she had found the weapon while cleaning her basement. It is thought to have been left by previous tenants.

Enlistments Up

REGINA (CP) — Military District 12 announced today that active service enlistments for the first 13 days of December totaled 175 compared with 163 for the comparative period of November, the best recruiting month in Saskatchewan this year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A window full of gifts at 737 Pandora: Beads, novelties, Royal Chinese embroideries, carved ivory pendant, ivory and cornelian beads, babywear, sachets, gay paper caps, pincushions. Committee for Medical Aid for China. ***

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THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO
By Canadian Press

Dec. 18, 1940 — British battleships bombarded the Albanian port of Valona. Britain pledged compensation for adult citizens killed or injured as result of enemy action. R.A.F. made one of heaviest raids of war on Benina airdrome in the western desert.

U.S. Prisoners Murdered By German Tank Force

By HAL BOYLE
Associated Press War Correspondent

A U.S. FRONTLINE CLEARING STATION, BELGIUM (Delayed AP)—Weeping with rage, a handful of survivors described today how a German tank force ruthlessly poured machine-gun fire into a group of about 150 Americans who had been disarmed and herded into a field in the opening hours of the present German counteroffensive.

"We had to lie there and listen to German non-coms kill with pistols every one of our wounded men who groaned or tried to move," said Sgt. William B. Summers of Glenville, W.Va., who escaped by playing dead.

The U.S. soldiers were members of an artillery observation battalion ambushed and trapped at a road fork by a powerful German armored column of Tiger tanks, whose heavy guns quickly shot up the two dozen American trucks and lightly armored vehicles.

There were no heavy weapons in the U.S. column and the entire observation unit had to surrender.

"We were just moving up to take over a position at the top of a hill and as we got to the road intersection they opened up on us," said Summers.

"They had at least 15 to 20 tanks. They disarmed us and then searched us for wrist watches and anything else they wanted.

"I guess we were lined up along that road for a full hour. Then they stood us all together in an open field. I thought something was wrong. As we were standing there one German soldier moving past in a tank column less than 50 yards away pulled out a pistol and emptied it on our fellows.

"Then they opened up on us from their armored cars with machine guns. We hadn't tried to run or anything. We were just standing there with our hands up and they tried to murder us all. And they did murder a lot of us.

"There was nothing to do but flop and play dead."

The survivors lay in tense, rigid silence in the freezing mud for an hour before cautious glances showed most of the Germans had moved away.

Three hours after the slaughter fewer than 20 survivors had made their way back to the U.S. lines.

Danger Bolshevism Not Nazism, Quebec Nationalists Say

QUEBEC (CP) — René Chaloult, Nationalist member of the Quebec Legislative Assembly for Quebec County, told an anti-conscription meeting at nearby Loretteville Sunday that the Canadian constitution should be amended after the war so as "to allow the province of Quebec to decide its external policy independently of the other provinces."

He said that "if we cannot obtain that modification to our constitution we will then regretfully have to break away from the Confederation."

The greatest danger at the present time was not Nazism but Bolshevism, said Mr. Chaloult.

"Mr. Churchill trampled upon the Atlantic Charter when he recently approved Russia's territorial claims in Poland and he proved once more that England is fighting only for her own interests and not for civilization," he said.

Wilfrid LaCroix, member of Parliament for Quebec-Montmorency who quit the Liberal Party over the conscription issue, who also addressed the meeting, said he feared that "conscrips will have to fight against Japan."

He added that "at the next federal election it will be the duty of Quebec Province to send to Ottawa independent members who will hold the balance of power and force the suspension of the state of war with Japan and the respect of the rights of French-Canadians."

Ship From Seattle Aground in Alaska

ANCHORAGE (AP)—A 3,700-ton U.S. army supply ship out of Seattle was driven aground at Cold Bay, Alaska Saturday as terrific storms and heavy seas buffeted the Aleutian chain.

There was no report here of any lost life aboard the vessel, which was abandoned. Heavy seas and winds tied up shipping and grounded air traffic.

The U.S. weather bureau at Anchorage recorded winds aloft of 174 miles an hour velocity and another later measurement aloft showed them even stronger—observers said so strong it was difficult to make an accurate check. They estimated the velocity at 250 miles an hour, however.

Nelson Death

NELSON, B.C. (CP) — George William Clark, 85, old-time mining man, died here yesterday after several months' illness. Active in mining until two years ago, Mr. Clark's main interest was in the Carnation Mine. His only surviving relatives are several nephews in Saskatchewan.

Static Winter Siege Holds Dunkerque's 15,000 Germans

By DOON CAMPBELL

OUTSIDE DUNKERQUE, France (CP-Reuter)—Dunkerque has settled in for the winter. It may not be avenged until the end of the war.

Nothing decisive is happening at the moment in this bleak, desolate, almost-forgotten corner of France. Inside the port the Germans are cosy. Outside, British troops are drawing lots for "Blighty" leave.

It is more than two months since I saw a procession of people with their sheep and cows quit this coastal fortress.

It might have been another Calais, but Capt. Scheinder, naval commander of the 15,000-strong German garrison, is made of tougher stuff.

The besieging forces have been firing shells into Dunkerque for weeks. An occasional prisoner is taken and odd deserters, but nothing extensive is being done to wipe out the memory of 1940, when the British expeditionary force withdrew by sea after being bottled up at Dunkerque by the Germans.

The Germans are in the town's best billets, with food, wireless sets and reading matter.

It is a crazy, fantastic, deadened sort of war here. The Germans cannot use the port, and a major offensive to capture it would afford little strategical advantage. But a force must be maintained there to contain the Germans, who are in no hurry to do anything.

Every now and then they raid a British observation post—just to let us know they are defensively active.

In the same way British patrols periodically enter the German lines to check up on their identification and strength.

Dunkerque has been invested since early in September. It was last reported besieged by British troops of the 1st Canadian Army and at one time Czech units under Gen. Crerar's command held the perimeter around the port.

Life Membership In Press Gallery Given Premier King

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King, who was a reporter in his youth, was received back into the fourth estate Saturday night when the Parliamentary Press Gallery, on the eve of his 70th birthday, presented him with a gallery life membership at a dinner in his honor.

Presentation of the life membership card, inscribed on gold, was made by R. K. Carnegie, Ottawa superintendent of the Canadian Press, speaking as immediate past president of the gallery. He said that in spite of the honors bestowed on him, Mr. King had remained 'one of the people; he has lived in his house by the side of the road and been a friend to man."

At a special meeting during the dinner, members voted to make Charles Bishop, correspondent for the Southam newspapers and senior Ottawa parliamentary reporter, a life member of the gallery. Mr. King presented the life membership to Mr. Bishop as his first duty after becoming a gallery member.

H. R. Armstrong, gallery president and Toronto Star correspondent, presided at the dinner, which was attended by nearly 100 gallery members, former members and their wives.

Mr. King, in thanking the gallery, spoke off the record recalling his association with parliamentary reporters during his 25 years as Liberal leader and Prime Minister for 17 years.

A framed life membership certificate was presented to Mr. Bishop, who now is dean of the gallery, in which he has served for 40 years.

Maj. Fred. McLaughlin, Chicago Sportsman, Dies

CHICAGO (AP)—Major Frederic McLaughlin, 67, prominent Chicago sportsman, chairman of the board and former president of the Chicago Black Hawks, National Hockey League team, died in Lake Forest Hospital Sunday of heart disease.

At his bedside were his wife, Mrs. Irene Castle McLaughlin; his son, William Foote McLaughlin, and William J. Tobin, president of the Black Hawks club. In addition to the widow and son, relatives surviving him include a daughter, Mrs. Irving Cruetz of Seattle.

Ministers, Diplomats Honor Premier King

OTTAWA (CP)—Those members of the federal cabinet who were in Ottawa, including Resources Minister Crerar, Agriculture Minister Gardiner and Finance Minister Ilsley, called Sunday at Laurier House, official residence of Prime Minister King, and presented him with a silver-framed photograph of the occasion of his 70th birthday.

The photograph is one taken of the Earl of Athlone, President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Mr. King during the Quebec Conference, and its frame bears engraved signatures of cabinet members.

Mr. King also was presented during the day with a solid silver salver, the gift of the diplomatic corps in Ottawa and the representatives of British Commonwealth countries. The salver bears the engraved signatures of the donors.

Coquitlam District May Get New Name

VANCOUVER (CP) — "Riverside" was the choice of citizens in the municipal election Saturday as the new name for the District of Coquitlam should 1945 or a subsequent municipal council decide on the advisability of taking action in the matter. A selection of six names was offered the electorate.

A private bill in the Legislative Assembly would be necessary to legalize the change in name should the measure go into effect, Municipal Clerk Clair Lemax said.

P. Guedalla Dies

LONDON (AP)—Philip Guedalla, prominent English historian, biographer and essayist, died Saturday in a London hospital.

An honor student at Rugby and Oxford, Mr. Guedalla was a barrister for 10 years, but retired from practice in 1923 to devote his entire time to writing.

Favorably received in the United States, he wrote in 1926 a sympathetic history of the revolution, "Fathers of the Revolution." His "Wellington" was an American Literary Guild selection in 1931.

Winnipeg's 26th Death

WINNIPEG (CP) — Christian Davidson, 66, of Ostenfeld, Man., died in a hospital here Saturday from injuries suffered Friday when knocked down by a streetcar. His death was Winnipeg's 26th traffic fatality this year.

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30 Locomotives C.P.R. Program Next Year

MONTREAL — Thirty steam locomotives of the new 1,200 class designed for a major role in postwar power replacement will be delivered to the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1945 from Montreal Locomotive Works, it was announced today by W. M. Neal, C.B.E., vice-president of the C.P.R.

They will be built to specifications developed from two engines which the C.P.R. turned out at its own Angus shops here this year as part of a program aimed at progressive improvement in rail transportation.

The 30 engines being added next year take up all the space allotted to the C.P.R. for 1945 in Canadian locomotive building plants under a government plan of rationing such space so that engines for export can be built in this country.

Their work is already cut out for them as the C.P.R. continues its war hauling job which represented the movement of over 238,000,000 tons of freight and more than 64,000,000 passengers from September, 1939, to September, 1944.

Delivery of the entire order will bring to 219 the number of new locomotives added by the C.P.R. since the start of the war.

The application of mechanical stokers is the chief change over engines 1,200 and 1,201, which came out of Angus this year under direction of H. B. Bowen, chief of motive power and rolling stock, and to the design of F. A. Benger, acting chief mechanical engineer.

Municipal Examiners To Start Work

E. H. Bridgman, deputy minister of municipal affairs; R. R. F. Sewell, representing the Union of Municipalities, and Wilfred A. Green, representing the Municipal Officers' Association of B.C., have been appointed by government order-in-council members of an examining board under the Municipal Act.

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By DEWITT MACKENZIE
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The savage German counter-offensive along the U.S. 1st Army front in the Rhineland bears the marks of being an effort to prevent an early Allied crossing of the Roer River at the key city of Duren, and so to postpone the dread day of reckoning with the Allies on the open plain of Cologne.

As a matter of fact there have been many signs recently that Gen. Eisenhower himself was about ready to launch another major offensive, revolving about a thrust over the Roer. Field Marshal von Rundstedt has struck shrewdly to throw the Allied line off balance and delay this drive.

While actually there have been three battles proceeding along the water-logged, weather-plagued Allied front, the fierce conflict in the Aachen-Duren sector has remained the crucial one. This is, of course, the main gateway to the great Rhenish city of Cologne and so on into the Ruhr heart of German war industries.

The U.S. 1st and 9th Armies have kept driving for the strategic Roer in the face of as tough winter going as could be imagined. It's been an exceptionally hard grind and costly in casualties. However, by persistence which often has taxed the endurance of men who have lived and fought in mud and water, they finally reached the river bank along a considerable strength and, barring some upset, might have been expected to attempt a crossing before long.

Meanwhile, military observers have noted that the British 2nd and 1st Canadian armies on the Allied northern wing were in position to launch a great flanking movement against the Germans as soon as Eisenhower had his men across the Roer at Duren in force. At the same time on the southern Allied front the U.S. 7th Army in the Alsace sector and U.S. 3rd at the gateway to the important Saar industrial region, have been persistently advancing.

Thus the Germans have been under heavy pressure along most of their 450-mile front, with the certainty that Eisenhower was about set to launch a big offensive. So Von Rundstedt has countered to throw the Allies off balance.

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THEIR NUISANCE VALUE

ONE OF THE DISTURBING PRODUCTS of these trying times is the inclination of some people to allow themselves to be united by mutual mistrust; they will walk together in an atmosphere of frustration only because they seem afraid to lose sight of one another. The consequence of this constant concentration on suspicion, unfortunately, is the coloring of all plans made by the nations—who are united in the common interest of destroying militant totalitarianism before it destroys them—with motives which are not grounded in commonsense or good will, but in malice and jealousy. It makes no difference whether the plans are concerned with the war itself; the manner in which the rescued nations are to be restored to normalcy; the distribution of food by U.N.R.R.A.; foreign relations; trade expansion; currency problems; or world organization. Emphasis is laid by the "frustrated" on the differences of opinion which occur, and these differences are attributed to sinister influences at work behind the scenes.

This condition is Goebbels' greatest source of inspiration. He himself is the perfect type, physically and mentally, of the "frustrated." He uses every similarly warped mentality to spread and distort anything which serves his purpose of creating discord among the Allies. The difficulties of preventing civil war between political factions, which are only united in vengeance and not in reconstruction, should be quite easily understood. The fact that if these factions are armed they would most certainly "massacre" those who did not have the same economic or political emotions as themselves, and that then they would certainly blame the British for allowing the massacre to take place—this is glaringly patent to those who appreciate the mentality of the "frustrated."

It is as well to remember that the "frustrated" have no principles nor standards by which to measure the motives of those against whom they have a prejudice, or of whom they are envious. They have no ability whatever to place themselves in the position of those they criticize; they have no experience to guide them. They seem to have faith only in fear and fear is the most fertile seed of fanaticism. Hitler based his entire objective and achieved his whole success on fear. He capitalized not only on the fear of economic insecurity but the far more insidious because more lasting fear which springs from frustration. His disciples are to be greatly pitied. But they have a real nuisance value.

POLICE AFFAIRS

VICTORIA'S POLICE COMMISSION next year will be composed of Mayor George, Alderman Gadsden and Alderman McTavish. Entirely new to the job will be His Worship. The two members of the Council have had previous experience. They know the ropes; their knowledge should be invaluable to the chief magistrate who, by virtue of his office, automatically assumes the chairmanship.

It would be presumptuous on our part to try to anticipate such changes in procedure as the newly-elected mayor may see fit to inaugurate. We do not know, and we have no desire to speculate on the point, what His Worship has in mind. Nevertheless, recent events, as they concern law enforcement in particular and police administration in general, probably have produced some uneasiness in the public mind. Regardless of the merits or otherwise of certain allegations in respect of questionable conditions in this community, it can be assumed that the members of the 1945 commission will want to know from the Chief of Police what his problems are, what, if anything, has hindered their solution, and what is the answer to publicized complaints.

Judged by the apparent rebirth of a new civic consciousness, as measured by the record vote cast at last Thursday's elections, the electorate intends to follow the conduct of its business at the City Hall much more closely than seems to have been the case hitherto. Mr. George's election by an impressive majority was perhaps not unassociated with the fact that he would become chairman of the Police Commission. In this role, unless we are greatly mistaken, his guiding principle will be effective and harmonious collaboration with the Chief of Police and his officers and men—the basic prerequisite for law enforcement without fear or favor.

SERIAL STILL RUNNING

NOW IN ITS SEVENTH MONTH IS THE popular mystery serial: "What Happened To Hitler?" Nobody believes the Herr Doktor Goebbels, whose feeble solutions are feebly resolved, and fail to produce the allegedly hale and hearty corpus delicti. Nor did the Swiss dispatch to which we have already alluded throw any convincing light on the mystery. No airtight explanations of the Fuehrer's whereabouts have come to light from anywhere.

There are so many rumors afloat, however, that one begins to doubt all of them almost as one does the Goebbelsian explanations. And so it is some comfort to come upon a report on the Hitler mystery, from an Allied officer in Germany, which is based not on rumor but on observation and logical conclusion. This officer has been watching the enemy, as well as fighting him, since D-Day. And he has decided from the way the German army is being employed that Hitler is no longer in command. He finds the dwindling enemy manpower being used with a skill that can only mean that the intuitive Fuehrer is not calling the signals.

The headlong flight from France might well have demoralized the Germans completely, the officer points out. Yet in spite of this and in spite of the continual blasting of industry and transportation, the enemy is putting up a defence that this military observer calls "highly professional." Proof of his conclusions is evident in daily dispatches from the front. The German army is not stopping the Allies, but it is making them pay for every gain. Strategic positions are being defended stubbornly and fiercely, but with an intelligence that does not fit Hitler's favorite word "fanatical," or the strategy that goes with it. So if Himmler is now top dog in Germany—and evidence points to that belief—he seems content to let professional soldiers run the war. And this, in a way, can be less encouraging than if Hitler were still in the saddle. A professional command can make the war longer and costlier than hysterical intuition.

But even if Hitler is out of power or incapacitated, the war's duration could still depend primarily on political developments inside Germany. Should Himmler be able to keep the army loyal to him, and the generals amenable and subservient though still in military control, then the war may drag on to the Nazi-decreed climax of national suicide. Still it is not beyond possibility that in the chaos that must accompany the Allied advance, the regular army group might seize control with the help of the Gestapo-hating population. And this might shorten the war. The Junkers, though they are a bad lot, have not the reputation of continuing wars once they know they are beaten.

PROGRESSIVE PROGRAM NEEDED

IN AN EDITORIAL DISCUSSION OF last week's civic elections in the mainland metropolis, the Vancouver Daily Province has something to say about that city's future which applies to Victoria with equal force. This is it:

"There is a growing demand in the city for a more aggressive, more enterprising civic government than Vancouver has enjoyed of late. . . . During the war, when labor and materials and money were all scarce, it was probably the wise policy to rest on the oars. But too much resting on the oars does not get one anywhere except backwards. . . . Vancouver would like to see some forward movement. There are any number of things to be done. The mayor knows what these things are. The ratepayers have indicated that they are willing to help. Why not get going?"

What our contemporary has said in the foregoing about Vancouver resembles comments which have appeared in these columns in the recent past. Victoria has rested altogether too long "on the oars." It was all the more encouraging, therefore, that property-owners as well as the "little taxpayers" combined last Thursday to end a penny-wise and pound-foolish type of so-called progress.

Reduction of the mill rate had become something akin to a fetish. Far-seeing electors now demand a practical reconstruction program—to hold our present population and to provide inducements to potential residents. This is the challenge to the 1945 City Council. We think it will be taken up aggressively.

THE BURMA ROAD

THE CAPTURE OF BHAMO BY THE Chinese troops of the famous Chindit division, organized by the late General Wingate, is another stepping stone to clearing the Japanese out of Burma. It places the Allied forces on the Irrawaddy 150 miles northeast of Mandalay and 75 miles directly north of Lashio, the junction of the Burma Road with the railway from Mandalay.

The Chinese have in the last week rallied to drive the Japanese back from their threatening advance on Yunnan, the Chinese terminal of the Burma Road about 225 miles northeast of Lashio. Apparently Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, since reconstituting his cabinet, has come to terms with the so-called Communist party in China, at least in so far as immediate action against Japan is concerned.

The operations by the Chindits indicate they intend to free the Burma Road at its southern end, Lashio, and the operations in China are designed to prevent the Japanese approaching the Chinese terminal at Yunnan. The entire operations are timed to fit in with the British operations from Australia and the Indian Ocean and the Americans in the Philippines.

DISTRICT ELECTIONS

ALTHOUGH OAK BAY'S REEVE WOODhouse was returned to office by acclamation—an impressive tribute to his record—both Reeve Hadfield of Esquimalt and Reeve Warren of Saanich were challenged and were required to conduct campaigns. Evidently a majority of the electors of the two municipalities had made up their minds to endorse them, the former defeating former Reeve Elrick to the tune of more than two to one, and the latter nosing out Mr. Leslie Passmore by less than 50 in a fairly heavy vote. The somewhat controversial Saanich School by-law obtained the necessary number of affirmative ballots and 87 besides. As in the case of Victoria's arena-auditorium—approved overwhelmingly by the property-owners of the city last Thursday—the ratepayers of the neighboring municipality obviously favored progressive action to meet the needs of the district. Congratulations are in order to all those who won the day on Saturday.

Bruce Hutchison

THE BOMBED-OUT British Parliament intends to build itself a new House, but the new House is to be precisely the same size as the old. That will make sure that there are not enough seats for all the members. At most the new House must hold only 400 out of 615 members and then only when they are crushed together like sardines. For it would never do, says Mr. Speaker Clifton-Brown, to let all the members have seats during an important debate. "In a big occasion," he explains, "it adds to the atmosphere to see members standing in a crowd at the bar."

If it were a different kind of bar, a more common and convivial bar where you could put your feet on brass rail and tell your life's story to the bartender, one could understand Mr. Speaker's theory. But when it is only a brass rail and not a bar at all, the foreigner is puzzled. After all, you need more than a brass rail to "add to the atmosphere," if you are an ordinary lover of atmosphere.

But the members of the British House of Commons are not men at all, that is the thing to remember. They are members of the oldest, most mysterious and most successful order in the world. Their roots go back to Saxon days, before the Conquest. And they know how to run a Parliament.

TO RUN A BRITISH Parliament, apparently, it is necessary to sit in a dinghy chamber, with a musty smell, and to sit as uncomfortably as possible, and huddled close together, as for warmth. The British need the past close beside them like a strong comrade when they face the future and, by a process of alchemy known only to themselves, they are constantly remaking the past into the future.

Thus no British prime minister would feel safe in conceiving a policy except within a crowded and stuffy House because all British policies have been conceived there. No Churchill could move the world with oratory except when leaning over a battered dispatch case on the centre table. No British government can look like a government, with the whole majority of the British raja behind it, unless it is lolling on a wooden bench, with legs in the aisle and the secret documents of state pinned under its feet on the floor for safe keeping.

The British, as Mr. Speaker says, need atmosphere if they are to function. They need it because of all peoples they are the most incurably romantic. The hard-headed world will say that, in maintaining a cramped House of Commons, the British are merely old-fashioned. It will not understand that the British are among the most progressive and daring peoples of the world but they will believe in fairies.

THIS IS A WONDERFUL thing in a man or a nation. In fact, it is only people who believe in fairies who ever do great practical things in the world. Every nation believes more or less in its own fairies, but the British believe more intensely than most peoples. The results have been apparent in the last five years. Only a people with a supreme belief in something quite mystical and irrational could have come through those five years as the British have come. A merely logical and practical people would have quit long ago.

A people who conceived politics as a process of law, statutes, procedure, votes and documents would never have been able to maintain a democratic government through this crisis. Only a people to whom the House was something out of this world, immaterial, itself living and alive with the ghosts of the men who made it—only a people who were more interested in the atmosphere of the House than in its words or specific acts could have made Parliament in the first place and held it like a queer little island, against a rising sea of dictatorship.

And if any defence of a crowded, uncomfortable and haunted House of Commons is required, look at what happened to the other kind of House in the enemy country. The Reichstag was not crowded. Everyone had a seat. Everything was perfectly arranged, comfortable and orderly, a single voice spoke from the rostrum and the Reichstag cheered according to instructions. The casual, shabby and sprawling House at Westminster lived on, even though it was bombed out, and all its mighty ghosts with it. The Reichstag itself became a ghost and lives no more.

IT IS NOT TO be expected nor to be desired that we should imitate the British tradition exactly in this new land. There is no use crowding our parliamentarians together, jostling them on the benches, cramming them against the brass rail which is curiously called a bar. With the British such treatment produces great laws. With us it would only produce irritation and bad temper. We do not believe in the same fairies as the British, and it will take centuries to equip our House with ghosts.

But you will be surprised, when returning to Ottawa two hundred years hence, to discover who the ghosts are—to discover that many of the statesmen little regarded today have grown with time into mighty legends. This is precisely what has happened in Britain, only faster; for in what Mr. Speaker calls "atmosphere," among a people who believe in fairies and miracles, an ordinary member of Parliament soon appears far superior in wisdom to anything we produce on this side. But only in his proper setting.

Another reason for peace is that a shine goes up another nickel every time we have a world war.

Note on booms and easy profits: Even a poor fish learns that anything he can get without earning it contains a hook.

The new-style maps seem crazy. Why can't somebody make us a globe that will show everything as it is and in its true relative size?

Letters to the Editor

BOUQUET FOR V.M.H.

As a recently-discharged patient, I believe some commendation is due and that the public should be acquainted with the excellent job the staff of the Victoria Military Hospital are doing.

I have spent some time in various hospitals from Winnipeg to the west coast and have never been treated better than in the V.M.H. The staff are cheerful and co-operative—co-operative to the extent of doing the many little things that could be classified as 'over and beyond the call of duty.' The food is good—better than average hospital fare, and served from a spotless all-electric equipped kitchen.

The time is spent less monotonously by the weekly visitation of the Red Cross girls with their library service and gifts of writing paper, cigarettes and chocolate bars. The R.C. and C. of E. padres pay periodic calls and always have a cheerful word for everyone. Two picture shows weekly are put on by the Y.M.C.A. in addition to various concert parties to round out the entertainment. All in all, I think the average G. I. Joe patient has very little to complain of in the Victoria Military Hospital.

BDR. C. W. WEST.
5th (B.C.) Cst. Regt., R.C.A.

HUNTING AND HUNTERS

Taking as a text the dispicable action of a miscreant who shot a tame deer in Beacon Park enclosure, your columnist developed her subject in such a way as to make a column article, with the evident result that she has hurt the sensibilities of Mr. J. B. Adams, who in justification of his pastime mentions the aesthetic instincts which are stirred up by a trip into the realm of nature, even if the person concerned is intent upon taking the life of one of nature's animals.

Personally, I know nothing of such pleasure, but when Mr. Adams produces a figment of the mind to show cruelty in the methods of slaughtering cattle in comparison with this killing of deer, he goes too far. The conduct of abattoirs is under the rigid inspection of law enforcement officers and representatives of the S.P.C.A., with the intent that the most humane methods be adopted. If Mr. Adams has witnessed instances where cattle were "dragged by a windless, wild eyed with terror and cruelly murdered" to provide beef steaks for the public to eat, he was remiss in his duty as a simon pure sportsman not to report such matters to law enforcement officers. The illustration is evidently a fantasy of his mind, conjured up to justify his actions in game hunting.

Mrs. Hodges might have discriminated between real sportsmen, such as Mr. Adams, and ordinary hunters who turn themselves loose in the woods, not to contemplate the beauties of nature, but to kill or wound and maim wild animals or to shoot hunting companions seen moving in the bushes. There are apparently sportsmen and mere hunters with less refined instincts.

F. W. LAING.
1122 Ormond St.

EVOLUTION

When men and women are being increasingly convinced that in the present titanic struggle "we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places," when we are being urged to "put on the whole armour of God," it makes one sad to see so much effort put forth to seek to convince man of the "unreality" of God, we feel like paraphrasing one of the most solemn texts in the Bible: "What shall it profit a man if he gained the whole world's population for the evolution theory and lost his own and their souls; or what shall such a man give in exchange for God's almighty word?"

Just as a layman cannot satisfactorily discuss a certain branch of science until he has graduated in that particular branch, so cannot the "layman" who has not graduated (been born again) in the things of God discuss satisfactorily things pertaining to the spiritual realm, seeing that "the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him; neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

The French have a beautiful word for God, to wit: l'Eternal—the Eternal. This word explains the eternity and infiniteness of the spirit of the Creator and the origin of matter.

L. J. EEKMAN.

Well, suh, the onliest difference between Burma and hell is that hell has a dry climate.—Pvt. Sam Lindley of Houston, Tex., in Calcutta, India.

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And that is why it is important that you actually apply for service. Then you are sure to have your name on the waiting list.

However, it must be remembered that the "first come, first served" system depends on the availability of circuits in the immediate vicinity of your residence.

If you are already a telephone subscriber and move to another residence, wartime regulations permit us to give you service without undue delay, provided it is unnecessary to string too great an amount of wire and that there is adequate central office equipment.

The general situation is that we haven't enough telephones, or wire or central office equipment to serve everybody. We won't have for a long time. Wartime restrictions must first be lifted, and manufacturers, who are now meeting war needs, must be able to turn again to the manufacture of telephone facilities, thus enabling us to begin the big job of "catching up."

We are genuinely sorry that we cannot say "yes" to everyone.

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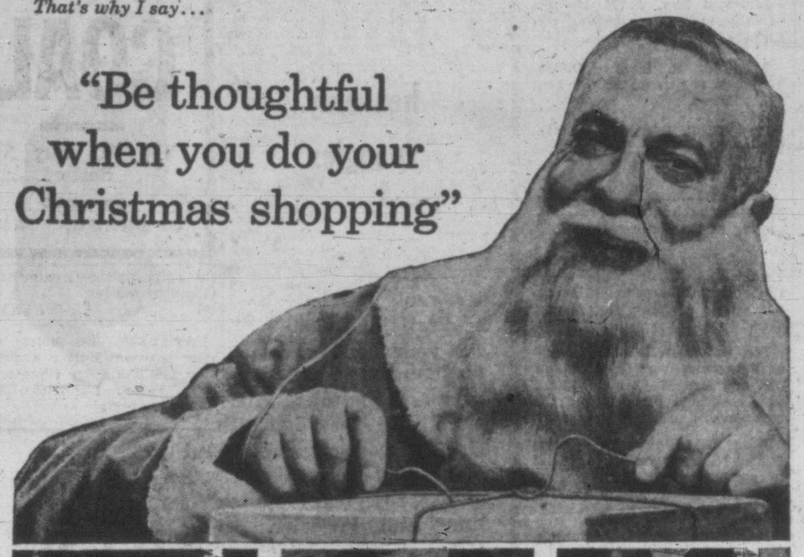

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Streetcar Statement Coming From Vancouver

A statement which "might say what action is going to be taken," will be made by Vancouver officials on week-end union meetings of B.C. Electric street railwaymen, Fred Davison, president of the Victoria local, said today following attendance at mainland conference on probable strike negotiations. When that statement would be made he could not say.

The conferences in Vancouver and New Westminster followed a meeting here at which union officials expressed dissatisfaction over the delay of the National War Labor Board in handing down a judgment on Victoria's appeal for equal pay for Esquimalt bus drivers. At the local meeting possibility of a strike Jan. 6 was indicated.

Victoria Composers Featured in Portland

Carols composed by Victoria musicians were featured last Sunday evening by the choir of the First Christian Church of Portland, Oregon, under the direction of Lauren B. Sykes, organist and choirmaster, when a vesper carol service was presented.

John I. Smith, well-known local organist-composer, had his carols "As With Gladness" and "Christmas Bells," sung by the choir, while Mr. Sykes played Frederick J. Chubb's "Shepherds' Carol" on the organ.

Cedar Hill Concert

Children of the Cedar Hill School presented an attractive program at the Christmas concert held last week. The auditorium was decorated in seasonal style and the costumes presented a colorful picture. During the intermission Mr. Neilson, chairman of the school board, and J. Gough, inspector, congratulated Principal A. Cullen, the staff and the children on their excellent performance. They also spoke of the urgency of additional school accommodation.

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17 B.C. Districts Name Reeves; Vote On Many By-laws

By The Canadian Press

Seventeen British Columbia municipalities chose their reeves at elections Saturday and three other towns in the Province named other civic officials to fill their local government slates for 1945.

Nine of the 17 reeves chosen to head local governments were re-elected to office.

The number of elections this year was smaller than for several years past. Many reeves were named to office for two years at the polls in 1943.

Indicating an increase in the trend to two-year reeveships, Peachland municipality voted in a referendum that its reeve be given a two-year term. Results of the vote were: Yes, 58; No, 41.

TELEPHONE VOTE

Summerland Municipality decided by referendum to renew its telephone contract. The question was voted for unanimously.

Kamloops voters backed up a by-law for the purchase of land for a city hall site. The measure was approved 418 to 156.

Voters in the Matsqui, Sumas, Abbotsford district approved a referendum for a $150,000 high school project, 360 to 144. A $126,000 junior-senior high school loan by-law requiring a 60 per cent majority was voted down at Chilliwack, 984 against, 942 in favor.

At West Vancouver, three by-laws were carried by a substantial majority. The $100,000 school question was approved 1,056, against 453. The $85,000 water by-law passed 2,060 against 264.

In a referendum whether the services of a town-planning expert should be engaged to survey a municipal plan there was a close vote of 1,246 for, 1,029 against.

HEADS OF COUNCILS

Reeves who will head administrations in British Columbia's municipalities in 1944 are (* indicates re-elected):

North Cowichan—*Daniel D. Chapman.
Kent—Reuben Hogg.
Coquitlam—L. J. Christmas.
Pitt Meadows—*W. J. Park.
Delta—John W. Kirkland.
Oak Bay—*W. L. Woodhouse.
Langley—*Alex C. Hope.
Maple Ridge—*Hugh S. Cunningham.
Surrey—*J. T. Brown.
Burnaby—G. A. Morrison.
West Vancouver — William Dickinson.
Penticton—J. McDougall.
Peachland—A. J. Chidley.
Salmon Arm—*Frank Farmer.

Petty Crime Wave Sweeps Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP)—Police reported a second week-end marked by a wave of petty crimes throughout Greater Vancouver.

An East End prowler posed as a radio repairman to work his way into the confidence of a nine-year-old girl Saturday. The thief talked her into making him a sandwich, then robbed the house. With him he took a dozen beer, an electric razor and a pair of rope-soled sandals.

Dr. F. T. Cameron reported loss of narcotics, surgical instruments and $100 worth of liquor to prowlers who broke into his home Saturday.

Held up in his store, Lee Chieng was robbed of $30.

Gas ration coupons good for 600 units and $2 in stamps were taken from his store, R. W. Mason told police.

Loss of a wallet and $435 while shopping in a downtown department store was reported to police Saturday by William Szkawarok of Vancouver.

Christmas presents worth $50 were taken from the home of J. Sangster.

Mrs. V. B. Vance lost a large number of Christmas presents and a bottle of whisky to thieves who ransacked her car.

Awakened by a prowler Sunday, K. S. Ross found his trousers had been dragged to an open window and $2 taken from the pocket. Thieves operating through an open window also took purses owned by Agnes and Margaret Devlin.

Pravda Advocates No 'Half Measures'

LONDON (CP)—The Moscow press said today that "one cannot liberate a people from Fascism of one kind and deliver them into the hands of Fascists of another kind."

Without direct reference to any country, Ilya Ehrenberg in the Communist Party organ Pravda, declared that "there can be no half measures. If Fascism is left to breed anywhere, then, in 10 or 20 years' time, rivers of blood will flow again."

The article, as reported by the Soviet monitor, added: "the Red Army has shown what it means to liberate. The Poles, the Norwegians, Serbs and Slovaks know it. We do not replace Fascists by semi-Fascists."

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Pioneers Celebrate Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Alexander, 1718 Cook Street, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary jointly with Mr. Alexander's 77th birthday, Saturday.

Both were born in Victoria and have lived here ever since, and many old-timers were among the friends who called to offer felicitations and good wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander have three sons and a daughter who, as well as their granddaughters, assisted in receiving.

Mrs. Alexander wore a corsage bouquet of orchids and Mr. Alexander a white carnation. The venerable couple received many beautiful flowers and other gifts. Tea was served during the afternoon.

Mrs. M. Standerwick presided at last meeting of the W.A. to the Tuberculous Veterans. Christmas gifts will be sent to two children at the Solarium. Fruit will be sent to three members of the men's branch in hospital. Members initiated included Mesdames P. Telesky, G. Kemshaw, E. Aspinwall and J. Johnston. Next meeting will be election of officers, Jan. 11 at 2.30 at the home of Mrs. R. Campbell, 1716 Fort Street.

Home for Christmas

Mrs. Kirby Herchmer and her small daughter, Patricia, have arrived home from Edmonton, accompanied by Flt. Lt. Herchmer. They will be the guests of Mrs. Herchmer's parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. H. Cattroll, 1070 Oliver Street. Flt. Lt. Herchmer will return following the holiday season to his station at Edmonton and Mrs. Herchmer will spend several weeks in Victoria.

Mrs. Pelly Heads P.P.C.L.I.

Mrs. C. H. Pelly was elected president of the W.A. to the P.P.C.L.I. at the annual meeting at the Y.M.C.A. Other officers elected were: Honorary presidents, Mrs. W. G. Colquhoun and Mrs. J. T. Harper; honorary vice-presidents, Mrs. J. W. Edgar and Mrs. R. F. L. Keller; first vice-president, Mrs. N. Featherstone; secretary, Mrs. R. McVie; treasurer, Mrs. A. Mainprize; assistant secretary and publicity convener, Mrs. M. F. Macintosh; sick convener, Mrs. G. Linsley; wool convener, Mrs. G. C. Holland; welfare convener, Mrs. Denton Holmes; membership convener, Mrs. E. Shone; graves convener, Mrs. C. Lawrence; auditors, Mrs. D. C. F. McArthur, Mrs. R. Waterman; welcome hostess, Mrs. A. Speirs.

Mrs. W. G. Colquhoun, honorary president, was in the chair and gave a short address; Mrs. Robert McVie gave the secretary's report and Mrs. A. Mainprize the treasurer's report. Tonight the Little Theatre will present "Arsenic and Old Lace" in aid of the auxiliary, and Wednesday the annual Christmas tree will be held at the Y.W.C.A. at 2 for the children, and their families.

Evening Wedding For Ina Robinson

A two-piece frock of gold wool with chocolate brown hat, suede accessories and a corsage bouquet of gardenias and violets was the ensemble chosen by Wilhelmina (Ina), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson, 791 Cave Street, for her marriage Saturday evening in Victoria West United Church to William James McDowell.

The groom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McDowell, 1424 Denman Street, and grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. McDowell, pioneers of Victoria. Rev. J. C. Jackson performed the ceremony and Oliver Stout was at the organ. Mrs. Harry Yuson was the soloist.

The bride was given away by her father and attended by her sister, Miss Marian Robinson. Walter Shafer was groomsman and ushering were Edward Keiser and Harry Moloney.

The bridesmaid chose a teal blue wool frock with navy hat and accessories and a corsage bouquet of gardenias and pink carnations.

A reception was held at the K. of P. Hall where mothers of the couple received the guests. A. Clyde, an old family friend, proposed the toast. Among the wedding gifts was a silver tea service from the groom's co-workers at the V.M.D., and a mantel mirror and framed picture from the bride's former associates at Yarrow's Ltd.

Mr. and Mrs. McDowell will reside at Florence Lake after a honeymoon on the mainland, for which the bride donned a chocolate brown topcoat over her wedding costume.

Native Daughters of B.C. Post No. 3 will entertain the Great Factor, Mrs. F. C. Grocock, and Grand Secretary, Mrs. L. M. Moyes of New Westminster at the Jan. 11 meeting, it was announced. Chief Factor Mrs. J. King presided. Mrs. Newberry reported on the Historical Society meeting. Attendance prize was won by Miss Jean Lorimer.

Santa Claus Visits Children of Eagles

Four-year-old Marilyn Dick was one of the 1,300 children who attended the Christmas party given by the Fraternal Order of Eagles Saturday at the Aerie rooms. Marilyn went to the party with her small sister, Arlene, aged 18 months, and her mother Mrs. J. Dick. She was a little wary of Santa Claus and kept a close eye on her mother when she received her gift.

Santa Claus, played by William Bridgewood, entered the hall through the window, bearing his large sack of toys much to the delight of all the children. The children each received a gift, oranges, apples and dixie cups of ice cream. The gifts surrounded the brightly-lighted Christmas tree that stood in the corner of the hall.

Mrs. N. Bertucci's children's band played many Christmas numbers and Frank Merryfield did tricks of magic to the amazement of the youngsters. A. Stewart showed moving pictures and those who assisted in distributing the parcels were Barney Duncan, president of the order, Joe Wright and Jack Taylor.

Personals

Mrs. E. Stimer and Mrs. N. G. Hobson of New Jersey are visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hodson of Alberni are staying at the Empress Hotel.

Miss M. R. Kerr of Dallas, Texas, is registered at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. R. B. White of Vancouver is visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Ens. and Mrs. E. E. Palmer of Birmingham, Ala., are holidaying at the Empress Hotel.

Miss Mary Fagan and Miss Heather Blundell will spend Christmas at Government House, the guests of Miss Mary Twigg Woodward.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hodgins of Vancouver were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McWilliams, 62 Cambridge Street, over the week-end.

Miss Enid Fox arrived from Prince Rupert over the week-end to spend the Christmas season with her mother, Mrs. J. G. Fox, Brighton Avenue.

Mrs. Frank Brawn, Wellington Avenue, and her son, Flt. Lt. Harry Brawn, spent last week in Vancouver where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Brawn's niece, Mrs. Jack Fletcher, formerly of Victoria.

Mrs. Walter Adams, who has been away from Victoria more than a year visiting members of her family in eastern Canada, has arrived in Calgary to spend the Christmas season with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Robertson.

Miss Gwendolyn Gibbs, who is visiting in Vancouver, was guest of honor Saturday when Mrs. Andrew Haggart entertained at the tea hour. Miss Gibbs' marriage to Mr. Douglas Haggart will take place Dec. 23 in Victoria.

Maj.-Gen. and Mrs. G. R. Pearkes arrived in Victoria today to spend several days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. U. Copeman. On her return Mrs. Pearkes will be accompanied by her parents, who will spend Christmas with Maj-Gen. and Mrs. Pearkes.

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W. C. Woodward will entertain at dinner tonight in honor of Maj-Gen. and Mrs. G. R. Pearkes. Sunday Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Woodward were guests of Capt. and Mrs. Barry German at Dockyard house at dinner prior to attending the Navy Band concert at the Royal Victoria Theatre. Governor and Mrs. Woodward will leave on the night boat for Vancouver, where Mrs. Woodward will christen the Waverley Park Tuesday at West Coast Shipbuilders.

In honor of Miss Connie Benning, a bride to be of this month, a shower was given by Miss Nancy Shaw and Miss Elaine Fraser at the former's home on Oliver Street. The guests, associates of the bride at McLennan, McFeely and Prior, Ltd., were Mesdames J. Marshall, N. Goldsmith, L. Cooper, F. Sharpe, E. Taylor, N. Cox, M. Attwell, L. Crowther, F. Henderson, E. Harrison, B. Oliver, and Misses Doris Veale, Marjorie Attwell, Eileen Collins, Blanche Gagnon, Margaret Turner, Kay Foxgord, May Hurley, Ethel Miller, Marjorie Page, Gladys Hill, Marine Pearce and Gerry Nash.

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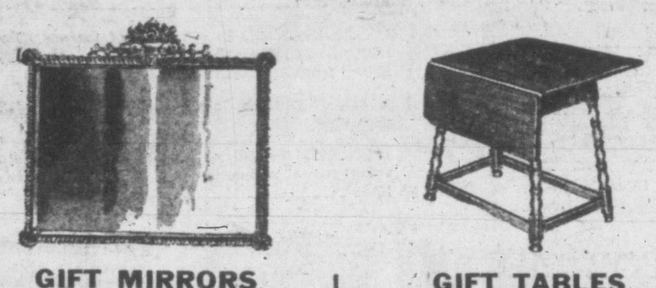

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PARENT-CHILD CONFLICT

Probably there will always be warfare between parents and children, for theirs is the eternal conflict of two generations, with different ideals, different codes of conduct, different manners and habits, and when you add to this the yearning of the young for freedom and the determination of the old to hold them in bondage, it is not difficult to see why practically every home that has adolescent boys and girls in it is a dark and bloody battleground.

This has always been the case. It will always be the case, for human nature doesn't change. When Father and Mother tell Johnny and Mamie that when they were 15 and 16 they preferred to spend their evenings with their dear parents, reading an improving book, to stepping out to a place of amusement, they are not telling the truth. They craved the society of youngsters of their own age. They wanted to play about and have fun even as their children do. And they fought with their mothers and fathers over calf-love affairs and the time to come home at night even as their Johnny and Mamie are waging their never-ending struggle with them.

The only difference is that in Grandma's and Grandpa's day the parents had the upper hand in the fight and now the children have it. For in the days when the heavy father really existed, his children went in trembling fear of him. They submitted to his tyrannies and let him crush out all the joy of life for them until they were old enough to run away from home. And in particular were his daughters his abject slaves.

But now that is all changed. Parents lost the war when they could no longer hold the threat of turning their children out of house and home over them, because there is nothing nowadays that the youngsters want so much as a good excuse for getting out on their own and being free of family discipline.

So the wise thing for modern fathers and mothers to do is to accept the inevitable and arrange a negotiated peace with their insurgent children. For, after all, the 15 and 16-year-olders are still children in many ways and still needing parental advice and guidance.

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Scene at the Solarium Christmas Concert

Pictured are some of the children who took part in the playlet, "Christmas With the Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe," presented during the annual Christmas concert at Queen Alexandra Solarium for Crippled Childlren. Entering wholeheartedly into the Christmas spirit, the children moved about the stage with much confidence, despite crutches and splints.

The ironwood tree is sometimes called the worst weed tree in the northeastern states; it spreads its seedlings so that more desirable seedlings are overshadowed and stunted.

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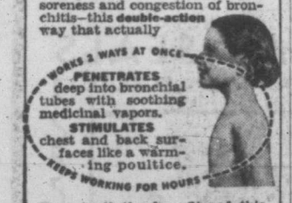

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Goodnight Kiss Forces Student's Resignation

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP)—Pretty Gloria Jeanne Heller, 18, of Havana, Cuba, resigned from Louisiana State University Saturday, she said, "because President W. B. Hatcher objected to my attempt to learn campus opinion on the university's attitude toward the sex question—and because he requested me to leave."

President Hatcher told the L.S.U. board of supervisors that he had given Miss Heller the choice of "resigning or being dropped from school" after she had admitted writing a leaflet in which, he said, she discussed the university's attitude toward sex.

"I told her," he said, "that we couldn't have promiscuous kissing on the campus . . . couldn't have people who advocated free love."

Miss Heller denied she had advocated "free love."

"All I did—and Dr. Hatcher wouldn't let me explain—was to attempt to show that I thought the university dealt with sex problems in such a way as to over-emphasize them."

Miss Heller added:

"We had been told by other school officials that a good-night kiss was all right if it wasn't of the passionate kind, but Dr. Hatcher just said 'no kissing'."

Y.P. Societies

Victoria and District A.Y.P.A. Local Council — Robert Jervis Read welcomed Miss Doris Barnsley, Miss Grace Barnsley and Miss Marguerite Mawer of St. Saviour's branch of the local council meeting. It was decided to ask each branch to elect a member to a committee to find ways and means to augment the council funds. At the next meeting there will be a discussion on the opening chapter of the book, "The Ways and Teachings of the Church," written by Rev. L. M. A. Haughwout.

Ration Coupons

Ration coupons valid Tuesday are: Butter, Nos. 86 to 89; sugar, Nos. 14 to 47, and preserves, Nos. 1 to 34.

Girl Guide Notes

Christmas Party—In the Michigan Street Hall James Bay Brownie Pack were entertained at a Christmas party arranged by the Navy League Chapter, I. O. D. E. Refreshments were served by Mrs. F. V. Richardson, Mrs. D. W. Carter and Mrs. A. W. Bradley. During the afternoon Mrs. Richardson presented Cynthia Ross and Margaret Little with Golden Hand badges; Irene Fuggle, proficiency badge, minstrel; and Carol Ann Graham, service star. Pack meetings will be resumed Jan. 12.

Royal Oak Concert

Christmas festivities at Royal Oak School, which included a variety concert in the Institute Hall, concluded in the school classrooms with parties and exchange of gifts among the students.

Games and refreshments were features of the afternoon parties, and invited to attend were bus drivers who drive the students to school. They were greeted with a rendition of "For They Are Jolly Good Fellows."

Housing Conditions Show No Improvement

Housing conditions have not improved, according to a report made by Mrs. W. E. Rayfuse, local housing registry manager, at a meeting of the Women's Regional Advisory Committee, consumer branch, W.P.T.B. Mrs. Paul Smith presided.

An average of 2,000 applications are received each month at the National Housing Registry and 673 people have been placed in the last month, Mrs. Rayfuse stated.

High school girls will display the remake trunk, under the convenership of Miss B. Ramsay, economics teacher, Jan. 15. Ninety-one women are attending the remake centre at Courtenay and the local centre has a waiting list.

Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps reported on the price panel and Mrs. Alfred Carmichael on the speakers' committee.

Reports showed a shortage in cotton goods. Underwear and shoes have been produced in greater quantities, but the demand is still excessive.

Club Calendar

Victoria Purple Star Lodge, L.O.B.A., Wednesday, 7.30, Orange Hall, annual reports, installation of officers . . . Canadian Prisoners of War Relatives' Association, Wednesday, 8, Red Cross room, 602 Broughton Street, annual meeting . . . Saanich Women's C.C.F. Council, Tuesday afternoon, North Douglas Street Hall . . . Prince Edward Branch and Women's Auxiliary, Canadian Legion, social evening, Friday, 8, Canadian Legion Hall, Langford. Games, cribbage and bridge will be played.

W.A. to R.C.E., Tuesday, 2.30, home of Mrs. R. Bessonnette, 649 Admirals Road.

W.A. to 5th B.C. Coast Regiment, R.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Thursday, instead of Wednesday. . . . Victoria Choral Union, rehearsals will resume Jan. 5, 8.30, Memorial Hall.

Postwar hog markets will demand a meatier, less lardy, lighter animal than now generally produced, according to a state agricultural college in a great hog-raising area.

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Capt. Wilfrid F. Mackenzie, who was born in Victoria, has been awarded the Military Cross for bravery in action in the fighting in France. He was highly praised by his colonel for the way in which he looked after casualties. He is medical officer of the Algonquin Regiment from Northern Ontario.

Capt. Mackenzie is the son of Mrs. S. Mackenzie of Sooke Road and the late Duncan Mackenzie. He went to school at Goldstream and in Regina, Sask., prior to entering Toronto University.

He was wounded by shell fragments in the hand and foot during the fighting in France and was returned to England. He has since rejoined his unit in the fighting zone.

LAC. Buster Mackenzie, a brother, is serving in France.

Juvenile Soccer

In a fourth division juvenile football match Saturday, Victoria City defeated James Bay 1 to 0.

First half league standings forlow:

	W.	L.	D.	P.
First division:				
Oak Bay	6	1	1	13
Toppers	5	2	1	11
Mount Douglas	4	2	2	10
Esquimalt	2	6	0	4
Mount View	1	7	0	2
Second division:				
Maple Leafs	5	0	1	11
Mount Douglas	3	2	1	7
Oak Bay	0	6	0	0
Third division:				
Black and White	8	0	1	17
Blue Line	4	3	2	10
Combines	2	6	1	5
Gorge Aces	2	7	0	4
Fourth division:				
Victoria City	6	0	4	16
Balmoral Thistles	4	5	1	9
St. Louis College	3	4	2	8
James Bay	0	4	1	1

Carpet Bowling

Results of matches in the Capital City and District Carpet Bowling League follow:

Friars 20, Willows Park 20.
Rangers 11, Civis 19.
Yarrow 17, Sherwood 22.
Mt. Tolmie B 24, Mt. Tolmie 8.

The following matches are scheduled this week:

TUESDAY
Civis vs. Yarrows. Mt. Tolmie vs. Rangers.

WEDNESDAY
Willows Park vs. Mt. Tolmie B.

THURSDAY
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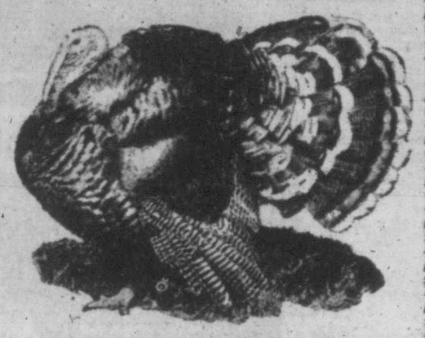

CHICKENS — Grade A For Roasting 40¢ lb.
HAMS — Boneless, Tenderized Whole or half, per lb. 45¢ — SMOKED PORK SHOULDERS, picnic style, lb. 25¢
BACON — No. 1 Side, sliced, ½ lb., 23¢ — No. 1 Back, sliced, ½ lb., 30¢

TOMATO JUICE LIBBY'S, 20-oz. tins 2 for 21¢
Pork and Beans AYLMER, in Tomato Sauce, 16oz. 2 for 17¢
Cut Green Beans ROYAL CITY, Choice, 20-oz. 2 for 25¢
Gold. Bant. Corn AYLMER, Fancy, 20-oz. 2 for 27¢
TOMATOES Choice, 28-oz. 2 for 27¢
PEAS ROYAL CITY, sieve 4, Fancy, 20-oz. 2 for 29¢
TOMATO SOUP CAMPBELL'S, 10-oz. tins 2 for 17¢
PUMPKIN SUNBEAM, Solid Pack, 28-oz. tins 2 for 25¢
PEAS COLUMBIA, Choice, 20-oz. tins 2 for 25¢

BUTTER DEPT.
ALBERTA BUTTER, First Grade, lb. 41¢
BLUE CHEESE, Roquefort Style, ½ lb. 38¢
CHATEAU CHEESE, Plain, ½-lb. pkt. 20¢
EGGS, Grade A Large, dozen 39¢
MAPLE LEAF LOAF CHEESE, lb. 38¢
HORNE'S GRAVY BROWNING 3-oz. pkts. 2 for 19¢
FLUID OXO DELICIOUS BEEF DRINK 11-oz. bottle 73¢

TOMATO JUICE VAN CAMP'S, 48-oz. tin 25¢
CUSTARD POWDER HORNE'S, 16-oz. tin 33¢
APPLE JUICE From the sunny Okanagan; 20-oz. tin 14¢
HEINZ KETCHUP Large bottle 20¢
SALMON SUNFLOWER, Fancy Pink, ½s, tin 12¢
PEACHES CALIROSE, Choice, 20-oz. tin 18¢
GREENGAGE PLUMS CALIROSE, Choice, 20-oz. tin 12¢
SPINACH NABOB, Fancy Quality, 20-oz. tin 15¢
ROLLED OATS ROBIN HOOD, 5-lb. bag 22¢

WAGSTAFFE'S STUFFED OLIVES 9-oz. jar 42¢
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Checking off items on her Christmas list, the lady at the sewing machine makes a gingham dress shield cover to match the set of padded clothes hangers and garment bag—all easy-to-make gifts any novice can run up on the machine. In the foreground are a cuckoo house to face-lift an old alarm clock and fringe-eared dog for small fry.

Personally made Christmas gifts are always more acceptable than bought ones because they indicate time and thought spent on the recipient.

This year, with labor and material shortages still rampant, it is more important than ever that those with time on their hands and talent in them should make at least some of their presents.

If your fancy runs to knitted gifts, remember that wool is still a precious commodity and should be used only for essential purposes. If the recipient is in need of a sweater, scarf, socks or other item, plan if so it will serve the most useful purpose.

Although wool is still limited in supply, knitting cotton is fairly abundant and there are many decorative and useful items that can be fashioned from this, such as hats, purses, bobby socks, snoods, and even children's dainty knitted dresses.

For baby there are the most fascinating patterns of Disney characters and other stuffed animals. The directions are contained in the patterns and an ability to read, plus the ability to run a sewing machine are all that is needed. Remnants can be picked up at very reasonable cost to make the animals.

Before starting in on knitted wear for baby make sure that he hasn't got all he needs in this line because giving one baby an extra jacket may be depriving some other small tot of a garment badly needed.

If there are any men's shirts around with frayed collars and cuffs that father doesn't want any more, the sleeves and backs can be used to make enchanting little pinafores for the small girls on your list. With bright bias tape binding and a bunny, duckling or jumbo embroidered on the front, any little girl will be delighted.

Here in Victoria, where lavender grows so easily, how about using up odd scraps of silk to make little sachets to send to friends in other parts of the country? Everyone likes the spicy odor of lavender in their hankies and lingerie.

GOOD LUCK TARTS

The gay English Christmas tradition has it that every mince pie eaten between Christmas Eve and 12th Night will ensure a whole month of good luck during the coming year. Which works out to a pie a day for the 12 days if a year's good luck is desired. However, the English mince pie is really only a small tart, so to eat a dozen in as many days is no trick at all.

Frostbite is properly treated by slow thawing without rubbing or the use of hot water bottles; the thawing process should be in a cold room and take from 45 to 60 minutes for frozen fingers.

An admixture of 2 per cent of calcium chloride to cement causes more rapid curing in what is called high early-strength concrete.

P.-T.A. News

Langford—Mrs. A. F. Bayles presided at the last meeting when it was announced the motion picture projector fund will profit from the school concert and turkey contest. P. Strachan reported on the dance. A donation was made to the Deaf and Dumb School in Vancouver. A sing-song followed the business meeting, Mrs. A Nelson at the piano. Rrefreshments were served under the convenership of Mrs. G. Lamb.

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Two Reeves Win Contests, Third Back By Acclamation

Interest in the municipal elections at Esquimalt and Saanich ran high Saturday, when the reeves of both municipalities were returned for another year of office. In Esquimalt 873 voters of 1,535 on the list cast ballots, for the high percentage of 57. Saanich reported a record vote of 38 per cent when 3,854 voters out of 10,370 exercised their franchise.

There seemed little interest in Oak Bay's election for three councillors, however, when only 10 per cent of the voters, 419 out of a possible 4,128, turned out to vote. Reeve L. W. Woodhouse was returned by acclamation.

OAK BAY

Voters selected Richard Angus, Walter W. Walker and Robert A. B. Wootton to fill the three council vacancies. Frank Turley, retiring councillor, was edged out by 50 votes.

Final results, including acclamations, are as follows:

REEVE—L. W. Woodhouse (re-elected, acclamation).

COUNCIL (three vacancies)—Richard Angus (re-elected), 321; R. A. B. Wootton (elected), 309; W. M. Walker (re-elected), 285; Frank Turley, 235.

SCHOOL BOARD (two vacancies)—Mrs. H. A. Beckwith (re-elected, acclamation); Colin T. Martin (re-elected, acclamation).

POLICE COMMISSION (one vacancy)—H. H. Hollins (re-elected, acclamation).

SAANICH

Reeve F. C. Warren was re-elected for his fourth term in office, leading his opponent, Leslie H. Passmore, by a majority of 48 in the final count. In Wards One and Two, the only contested wards in the municipality, Councillors Thomas F. Alexander and Robert Noble were re-elected.

Saanich school-building by-law passed by 87 votes.

Results were:

REEVE—Edward C. Warren, re-elected, 1,951; Leslie H. Passmore, 1,903.

COUNCIL (one for each of seven wards)—Ward One, Councillor Thomas F. Alexander, re-elected, 395; John Watson, 278.

Ward Two, Councillor Robert Noble, re-elected, 461; George Alexander Rudd, 412.

Elected without a contest were: Ward 3—Councillor J. L. Hobbs. Ward 4—Councillor George Austin. Ward 5—Councillor John Oliver. Ward 6—Councillor W. C. Kersey. Ward 7—William B. White.

SCHOOL BOARD (two vacancies)—Trustee F. C. Head and Arnold Edmonds, by acclamation.

POLICE COMMISSIONER—Jim Day, re-elected by acclamation.

SAANICH SCHOOL-BUILDING BY-LAW—For, 2,334; against, 1,415. Required to pass, 2,247.

The by-law, proposed to alleviate overcrowding in Saanich schools and to include construction of schools and additions and improvements, will cost $156,000. Wards One, Two and Seven strongly supported the by-law. A previous by-law for school buildings was defeated by voters in June.

ESQUIMALT

Reeve Thomas Hadfield of Esquimalt and J. P. A. Christensen and J. A. Ellis, two members of his council were re-elected. Councillor D. A. MacLeod was nosed out by Charles Haithwaite by five votes.

Reeve Hadfield, who polled 541 votes to defeat his opponent, James Elrick, a former reeve of Esquimalt, by 215 votes, has entered upon his 23rd consecutive year in municipal office. He served on the school board and police commission and has been a councillor for 16 years. He was elected reeve by acclamation on the death of Alex Lockley in the spring.

Donald W. Barker was re-elected police commissioner, defeating P. H. Buxton by 173 votes.

Attempt to Blow High School Vault

Soaping the Victoria High School vault with nitroglycerin, would-be thieves Sunday night discharged two detonators in the explosive but failed to blast open the door of the safe which contained no money or valuables.

The break-in and attempted safe-blowing was discovered at 8.35 this morning by J. P. Taylor, high school engineer. Detectives F. Woodburn and D. Donaldson found entrance to the building had been made by smashing a west side window.

The detectives found the safe had been soaped and two discharged detonators nearby. A third live detonator was stuck to the combination. The fuse had been burned out but had failed to explode the cap.

The vault, school board officials said, contained only a few cents. It was used as a store room and held a quantity of examination papers.

Christmas Spirit In Police Court

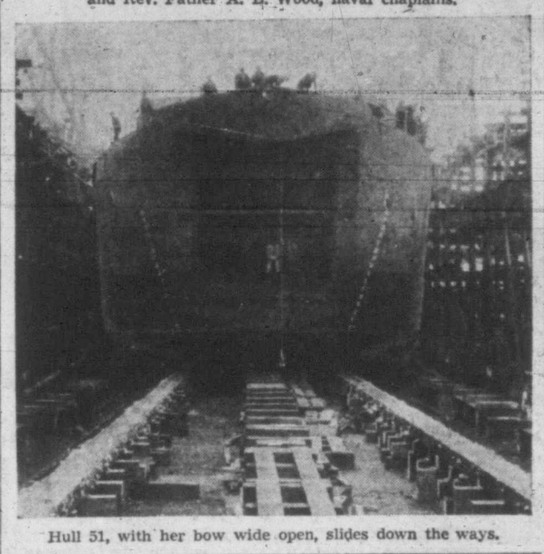
At one of the shortest sittings of the city court in weeks, Magistrate H. C. Hall today fined two persons guilty of drunkenness $25 each, estreated $25 bail from a third man who failed to answer a similar charge, and arranged sentence for a fourth man, guilty on a second count of intoxication, so he would be released from jail Christmas Eve in default of paying a $50 fine.

Usual sentence for second offenders is 10 days in jail. Today, however, the magistrate reduced the sentence to eight days and dated it from the day of arrest, Saturday.

Seven motorists paid a total of $30 in parking and traffic fines. A pedestrian was fined $1 for walking against a traffic signal. A citizen was fined $1 and $2.50 costs for failing to purchase a radio license.

Launches Transport Ferry

Miss Veryan Yarrow, left, in her St. John Ambulance uniform, stands with her mother, Mrs. Norman A. Yarrow, just before christening Hull 51, transport ferry built at Yarrows No. 2 Yard, Esquimalt, Saturday afternoon. Hull 51 will be fitted out in the company's No. 1 yard. The ferry was blessed by Rev. John Furlong, and Rev. Father A. B. Wood, naval chaplains.



Hull 51, with her bow wide open, slides down the ways.

Thieves On Prowl During Week-end

An increase in petty thievery and the activities of prowlers during the week-end was reported in city police records today.

Complaining of prowlers were Mrs. Moral, Mount St. Mary Hospital, 999 Burdett Avenue; Tommy Tucker's No. 2, where two men were reported on the roof at 12.30 Sunday morning; Mrs. Jessie Young, 2722 Shelbourne Street, who told police she had seen a man jump out of the kitchen window of her home as she returned, and H. Townsend, First United Church warden, who said prowlers were around autos on Balmoral Avenue between Cook Street and Quadra Street.

Mrs. L. Hagnes, 1839 Crescent Road, reported her house had been entered by a bathroom window, a bedroom dresser ransacked, but nothing missing.

A car which Dave Kenny, 1007 Collinson Street, had reported stolen from his home Saturday, was found by Constable J. Lockie of the B.C. Police on the Four Mile Hill. City police recovered today a car owned by P. Harris, 1355 Lyall Street, which had been reported stolen Sunday morning from Pandora Avenue.

Theft of a quantity of guitar attachments from her bicycle parked at Richmond Avenue and Fort Street, was reported by Mrs. J. Dick, 2663 Orchard Avenue.

Moss Street, said his front door mat had been stolen. Thieves took a gasoline ration book, two rules and a level from a car owned by Jack Weid, Henry's Barber Shop.

Cars Damaged in Crash

Damage over $25 was sustained in a collision Saturday on Government near Yates of cars driven by L. Jones, 2716 Dewdney Avenue, and C. Walsh, 1235 McKenzie Street.

H. Wood told police that while driven east on Esquimalt Road near Fraser Street, his car had knocked down a soldier but the pedestrian was not hurt.

Cars driven by Thomas Dick, Cowichan Lake, and F. G. Farnell, 1747 Haultain Street, were slightly damaged when they sideswiped one another Sunday morning.

The most important thing which friends and relatives of the disabled veterans can do is to treat them normally—treat them as normal men.—Maj.-Gen. Norman T. Kirk, surgeon general, U.S. Army.

Slugging Cerdan Holds Ring Title

ROME (AP) — Marcel Cerdan, French sailor, retained his professional middleweight championship Saturday night by stopping Sgt. Ralph Burnley, Philadelphia Negro, in what was easily the most sensational scrap of the week's competition in the Allied Mediterranean boxing tournament.

In the second round, even after he was floored for the second time, Burnley came out swinging rights and lefts before being dropped across the ropes by a smashing left. His seconds carried him to his corner and brought him around, but the referee refused to let Burnley come out for the third round.

U.S. Lifts Order Banning Japanese From West Coast

WASHINGTON (AP)—The War Department has revoked its order excluding all persons of Japanese ancestry from the United States west coast.

An announcement by the army Sunday said the revocation order had been issued by Maj.-Gen. Henry C. Pratt, chief of the Western Defence Command, with the approval of the War Department.

"Favorable progress of the war in the Pacific, as well as other developments" was given as the reason for the revocation.

The revocation order provides that any person of Japanese ancestry about "whom information is available indicating a pro-Japanese attitude" will continue to be barred from the coast states.

More than 119,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were evacuated from strategic areas on the west coast, the states of California, Washington and Oregon.

NO SUDDEN HOVEMENT

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The U.S. War Department's revocation of the order excluding en masse 119,000 alien and U.S.-born Japanese from the Pacific coast does not mean a sudden return of population, overtaxing war-adjusted housing, the Western Defence Command said.

Instead, it expects the War Relocation Authority to see that the return of Japanese is gradual and that those who return should be carefully screened.

Maj.-Gen. H. C. Pratt of the Western Defence Command disclosed that the Governors of the various western states had been notified Sunday morning, before the new order was published. He does not think there will be any trouble calling for army intervention.

In Sacramento Governor Earl Warren called on Californians to respect the constitutional rights of the persons involved, said that the new order was designed to aid the war effort and that any provocative acts could only retard the flow of materials "to our boys."

CONTINUE BOYCOTT

KENT, Wash. (AP)—President Benjamin Smith of the Remember Pearl Harbor League organized in the White and Puyallup River valleys of this state to oppose the resettlement of Japanese, today said his organization plans to continue a boycott against the Japanese despite the U.S. War Department's lifting of the west coast exclusion order.

Smith said his group had 500 persons pledged not to sell, lease, or rent farm lands, homes or stores to Japanese, and that a league meeting had been tentatively set for Tuesday night to plan "further steps."

2 Saanich Blazes

The porch of the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Redgrondin, 907 Falmouth Road, apparently ignited by a box of warm ashes, was completely destroyed by fire at 11 Saturday night. Saanich firemen extinguished the blaze in 30 minutes.

A chicken house on the property of F. Garrington, 721 McKenzie Avenue, was destroyed by a blaze to which Saanich firemen were called earlier in the evening by Saanich police. The building was of no value.

Brentwood College Christmas Concert

Singing of Christmas carols, musical numbers and presentation of two one-act plays were features of the annual Christmas concert held at Brentwood College, attended by a large group of parents and friends.

The plays were "Have You Anything to Declare?" by Gertrude Jennings and "Shivering Shocks," by Clemence Dane. A mixed version of "Riding Down From Bangor" was presented and the carols were sung by Brentwood Waits.

Students made and erected the scenery and handled the lighting effects while the plays were produced by Mrs. A. C. Privett and Mrs. M. V. McGuire.

A banquet dinner was held Friday night for the school and staff and Bruce Scott, head boy, made a Christmas presentation to A. C. Privett, headmaster, on behalf of the school students. Mr. Privett, in a brief address, reviewed the school term and congratulated the rugby team on its series of successes.

Memo to—
A Lady about to go shopping

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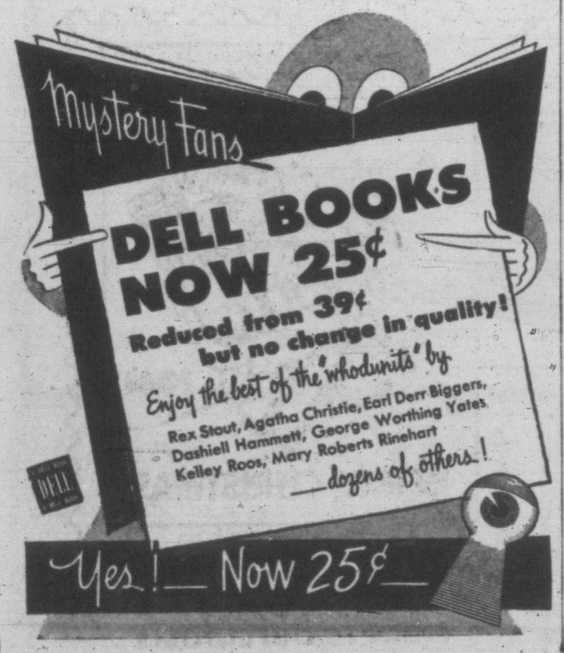

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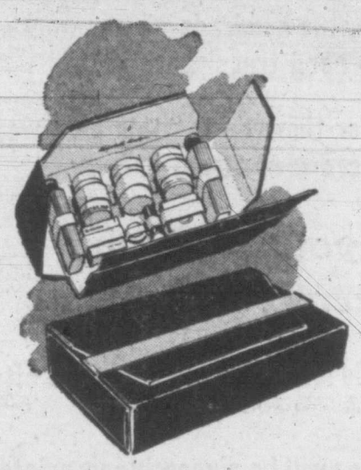

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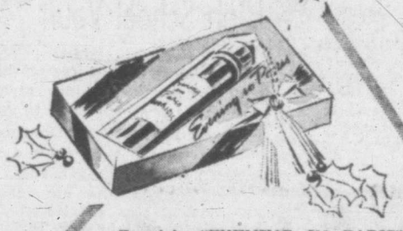

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

VICTORIA'S sport fans, particularly those interested in basketball, applaud remarks of city school board chairman **Austin I. Curtis** regarding use of school facilities for recreation and sports practice. Last week, considering letters from K.V.'s and Tommy Tuckers, seeking use of junior and senior high gyms for workouts, Trustee Curtis implied the board might do worse than rent the halls to all applicants until available time was completely booked up. His proposal was in line with accepted policy in progressive cities and towns of this continent where expensive school plant is made available for worthwhile community activity to the fullest extent.

THERE is one point, however, which may need some emphasis. If private clubs are allowed to rent gyms, they must see no damage is done to the premises. Schools are primarily educational institutions. Nothing outside groups do should impair the efficiency of their operation through destruction of equipment. It is a matter which should engage the full attention of those seeking extension of privileges.

WHEN Pat Bay Gremlins go up against the Northwest League all-stars in a pair of exhibition basketball games here Wednesday and Thurday evenings, they will certainly have no height advantage over the Seattle visitors. **Murray Buchanan,** who will be playing centre for the invaders, is a 6 feet 8 inch skyscraper, while **Bobby Graf** goes 6 feet 5 inches. Buchanan has been high scorer in the Northwest League the past three seasons and, according to **Tim McCulloch,** who will be in charge of the Seattle club, is one sweet cage performer. Other members of the Seattle squad will be **Arnie Reid,** formerly of Montana College; **Bobby Phair,** an all-western conference player; **Bobby Lee,** a former Southern California varsity performer; **Bill Milligan** and **Arnie Ginsburg** of Tacoma College. From all appearances McCulloch is bringing over a "hot" ball club.

VICTORIA athletes and sports officials will be sorry to hear that **Joe Delahunty,** former sports editor of the morning sheet, is seriously ill in hospital. The old red-head has a tough fight on his hands but the medicos give him an even break to pull through and I know all those associated with sport in the town are hoping he will be up and around again soon. Delahunty is allowed a few visitors, but anyone contemplating paying him a visit, would be wise to first contact the hospital authorities for an okay.

IT is surprising how the American code of football is making inroads into the Canadian sports picture. In Victoria this winter two intercity battles were staged under American rules and the spectators took to the game. There has been talk of a Victoria team playing in a regular league with clubs south of the border next season. Now I notice where **Prof. A. W. Matthews of the University of Alberta** has sent out a questionnaire to see how the fans like the American game, as compared with Canadian rules. United States servicemen stationed in the west gave the Alberta fans quite a taste of their type of play this fall, so the result of the pool should be interesting.

$300 Raised From Benefit Soccer

V.M.D. Defeat Wests

Coming from behind a 2 to 1 deficit at halftime, Victoria Machinery Depot fired three goals in the second 45 minutes of play to turn back Victoria West 4 to 2, Saturday afternoon, in the Eddie Gibson benefit soccer match. Officials announced today around $300 had been realized for the injured player.

Victory was the first the shipbuilders have registered over the greenshirts this season, and although it was an exhibition affair, neither club let up one little bit all the way. Wests, without the services of Roy Barnes, Tommy Restell and Harold Sage, fought gamely and in the first half looked the better club. However, after the change-over, the V.M.D. settled down and their revamped forward line that moved George Payne back to centre-forward and Art Lee to outside left, started to click.

All in all, it was one of the best matches of the season, with five of the six goals coming after pretty combination work on the part of the respective forward lines. Louis DeCosta and Joe Travis, the two goalies, turned in creditable performances, their work between the sticks drawing applause from the fans.

FIRST GOAL

After both defences had been tested several times, V.M.D. broke into the score column when Alvin Parks headed Gordie Bell's cross from the right wing against the post and the ball deflected into the net. Wests immediately took the offensive and it was not long before Reside tied the score with a shot from the left wing that halfback Barnswell carried into his own goal. With their forwards continuing to combine well, Wests took the lead on Chuck Restell's goal on a header from Morgan's cross. Just before halftime Travis made a great stop of a shot from Parks, blocking the ball with his foot and clearing.

With the opening of the second half, the V.M.D. threw everybody up on the attack in an effort to deadlock the count. Travis leaped across his goal to gather in a bullet drive from Scotty Stewart and on another occasion blocked a terrific drive from George Payne on a free shot just outside the penalty area. V.M.D. kept up the pressure and were awarded another free shot for a foul by Musgrave on Payne. Picking the top corner of the net with a blazing drive, Payne put his club on even terms. Wests missed a great chance to go ahead when Reside hit the post with the full occasion Restell was right through only to have DeCosta rush out and smother his drive.

V.M.D. took the lead on the prettiest counter of the match. After the ball had been passed back and forth between Bell, Payne and Parks, the last named beat Travis with a low shot to the far corner. Just before the final whistle Parks made it 4 to 2 when an attempted clearance by Musgrave rebounded off the opposing forward into the goal.

Magistrate Henry Hall, former league president, kicked off, while the Victoria Boys' Band and the Eagles drum and bugle corps were in attendance.

SOCCER WEDNESDAY

Black and Whites and Victoria City, undefeated juvenile football teams, will meet in a match at the Athletic Park Wednesday afternoon, starting at 2.30.

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Byron Nelson Named Athlete of Year

NEW YORK (AP) — Byron Nelson, who averaged less than 70 strokes for 78 rounds of big-time tournament golf, is 1944's athlete-of-the-year.

Seventy-nine sports writers throughout the United States, who scattered their affections on 40 different athletes, named Nelson successor to Gunder Haegg, Sweden's miler and last year's winner.

Nelson's smooth-as-silk performance on the fairways brought him $44,266.66 in war bond prizes as well as 16 first-place votes in the present tabulations. Each such ballot was worth three points, with two points for each second-place vote and one for a third-place mention.

Leaders in the Associated Press poll to determine the country's

outstanding male athlete during 1944, first place votes in parenthesis: Byron Nelson, golf (16) 75; Martin Marion, baseball (14) 70; Les Horvath, football (6) 59; Hal Newhouser, baseball (8) 44; Claude Young, track (4) 31; Felix Blanchard, football (2) 28; Arne Andersson, track (7) 26; Don Hutson, football (3) 18; Glenn Davis, football (3) 15; William Dudley, football (1) 9; Pete Gray, baseball, (1) 8; Gunder Haegg, track (2) 7; Gilbert Dodds, track (1) 6; Richard Wakefield, baseball (1) 6; Dizzy Trout, baseball (1) 4; George Stirnweiss, baseball (1); Stan Musial, baseball (1) 3; Bobby Permane, jockey (1) 3; Joe Lewis, boxing (1) 3; James Walthall, football (1) 3; Bob Kelly, football (1) 3; Jack Dempsey, boxing (1) 3; Bill Nicholson, baseball (1) 3.

Woodhouse Rides Happy Issue To Smashing Victory

INGLEWOOD, Calif., (AP)—Happy Issue, game, stretch-running filly, owned and trained by C. H. (French) Pinon, who picked her up in a $1,500 claiming race, Saturday won the fifth running of the $75,000 Hollywood Gold Cup in the track record time of 2.01.3 for a mile an one-quarter.

Bull Reigh was second and Okana third.

Paperboy, backed down to 9-5 as the choice of the crowd of 30,000, was fourth, unable to match the sizzling pace that Happy Issue cut out after Jockey Hedley Woodhouse applied the whip.

Happy Issue paid $12.50, $6.30 and $4.20 across the board; Bull Reigh, which holds the world record for the mile and one-sixteenth, paid $10.90 and $6.70 and Okana's show price was $4.80.

Happy Issue's victory meant $61,425 to Pinon. This was the second richest race in America this year, topped only by the Kentucky Derby, which had three times the number of nominations submitted for the gold cup.

Results follow:

First race—Seven furlongs:
High Sierra (Garza) $16.60 $6.60 $4.40
High Count (W. Bailey) 2.70 2.30
Oradea Queen (G. Zufelt) 3.70
Time, 1.26. Also ran: Lucky Package, Pilot Pat, Incendienne, Gold Johnny, Radio Occar, Four Fingers, Good Idea, Thunder Lad.

Second race—Six furlongs:
Reddy (J. Bailey) $4.60 $3.80 $2.70
Pacoima (H. Jones) 13.80 7.10
Miss War (Cook) 3.20
Time, 1.12 f-5. Also ran: Vigoreso, Black Roman, Sir Dandy, Devilled Egg, Paulas Glad, Valdina Aunt, Swift Tops, Vain India, Rigaway.

Third race—One mile:
Takeaway (F. Zufelt) $3.80 $3.20 $2.60
Iron Maiden (Leavitt) 9.20 4.40
Sea Frolic (H. Jones) 2.60
Time, 1.27 1-5. Also ran: Roughage, Prince Ernest, Lugaratito, Foxy Fena, Gallant Spirit.

Fourth race—One mile:
Mediterranean (H. Jones) $6.60 $3.70 $2.80
Grey Lord (Woodhouse) 6.40 4.00
On Down (Harlos) 3.00
Time, 1.27 1-5. Also ran: Blue Agent, Exit, Mananui, Air Glory, Mossy Lake, Sir Treak, Vain Doctor, War Archives, Block to Block.

Fifth race—Mile and sixteenth:
Deer (Harlos) $10.10 $5.10 $3.20
Gallahue (W. Bailey) 8.40 5.10
All White (Wright) 3.00
Time, 1.44 1-5. Also ran: Paulas Lulu, Surging Lady, Tilting, Real Sad.

Sixth race—Six furlongs:
Smacked (C. Bianco) $9.60 $4.60 $3.40
Exiled (Neves) 4.00 3.20
All Bright (Kirland) 2.60
Time, 1.12. Also ran: Corona Corona, Ricochet, Bring Me Home, Vain Prince, Bizerte.

Seventh race—Mile and quarter:
Happy Issue (Woodhouse) $12.50 $6.30 $4.20
Bull Reigh (F. Zufelt) 10.90 6.70
Okana (Bassett) 4.80
Time, 2.01 2-5. Also ran: Lou Bre, Texas Sandman, Sickles Choice, Shut Up, Put In, Stronghold, Paper Boy, Valdina Andire, Phar Long, First to Fight.

Eighth race—Mile and half:
Dry Bell (Neves) $19.40 $7.00 $4.10
Piego (Corbett) 4.10 3.10
Last Roll (Zehr) 4.10
Also ran: Franworth, Omasari, Red Crusader, Lucias Sun, Mythological, Sacaton, Flying Dot, War Cadet.

Verley-Watson Win City Golf Button

Gordon Verley and Bob Watson are the new holders of the city golf button. Playing before a large gallery at Oak Bay Sunday the Uplands partnership defeated Walter and Bill Newcombe, Victoria Club pair, 2 and 1. The Newcombe brothers have challenged again and will likely meet the new button holders over the Uplands course in about three weeks' time.

After gaining a 2 up margin on the first nine the Newcombes were unable to hold their opponents on the second nine. Verley and Watson squared the match on the 13th, halved the 14th and 15th, and won with birdies at the 16th and 17th holes.

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Snead Wins Richmond Golf Congdon One Stroke Back

RICHMOND, Calif. (AP)—Sam Snead, Hot Springs, Va., won the 72-hole Richmond open golf tournament Sunday with a total score of 278. It was his second victory of the winter open tournament season. He bagged the Portland open last month with a 289.

Charles Congdon, Tacoma Wash., took second money with a 279 while Byron Nelson, Toledo, Ohio, and Harold McSpaden, Philadelphia, tied for third at 280.

Ky Laffoon, Chicago, and Sgt Jim Ferrier, Camp Roberts, Calif., tied at 283, and Leonard Ott, Denver, followed with 284.

Snead's first prize was $1,600 in war bonds. Congdon received $1,000 in bonds.

Snead was tied at the halfway mark and in front at 54 holes. He raced in with a one under par 70 in his final round, wobbly as it was, to front a classy field in the drive to the wire.

He nosed out Congdon, who was a semi-finalist in the national P.G.A. championship last summer, by a single stroke.

Nelson and McSpaden needed eagle 3s on the last hole to grab at least a tie with Snead. On their second shots, each pushed the ball to the right of the green. Each finally got down in par 5, McSpaden missing an easy putt for a birdie that would have given him a tie for second place.

Snead put together four rounds of 70-69-67-70. Congdon carded 70-72-67-70. Nelson had rounds of 73-69-70-68, and McSpaden had 74-72-64-70.

Ray Dawson Tops Men's Averages In Table Tennis

Hard-hitting Ray Dawson, recently crowned Victoria Club champion, continued his fine play to lead the individual averages for players in the senior division of the local table tennis league. Winning his possible eight games against both the Giants and Cubs, Ray boosted his season's record to 53 games won out of 56 for an average of .946.

Will Browne-Cave, finalist in the club tourney, remained in second place with 50 wins and six losses for a mark of .893. This was far ahead of the league-winning average of last year.

Western Canada champ George Lowe kept third place with a record of 48 won and eight lost. Vic Tully turned in several smart performances to climb from eighth to fourth position. The erratic-stroking southpaw has won his last 16 games.

Junior stars Stan Ngai and Keith Olson are fourth and fifth, respectively.

RUTH PAYNE LEADS

Playing at top form, Ruth Payne, leading provincial women's ace, took over first place in the women's averages with a record of 39 wins out of 56 games. Her improved play has been a big factor in the drive of Robinson's Grocery to the premier position in the team play. Barabra Mackay ranks second, with Joy Payne third and Nancy Ley next.

Averages follow:

MEN	W.	L.	Pct.
Ray Dawson	53	3	.946
Will Browne-Cave	50	6	.893
George Lowe	48	8	.857
Victor S. Tully	47	9	.839
Stanley Ngai	45	7	.835
Keith Olson	46	10	.822
Wynne Robinson	42	14	.750
Dick Lowe	35	13	.729
Ruth Payne	38	17	.691
Vernon Adie	34	23	.607
Barbara Mackay	29	19	.604
Charles Ngai	33	23	.589
WOMEN			
Ruth Payne	39	17	.696
Barbara Mackay	29	18	.604
Joy Payne	31	25	.554
Nancy Ley	24	32	.429
Betty Reid	22	34	.393
Georgina Wilson	16	22	.353
Thelma Brown	18	38	.321
Valerie McIvor	15	41	.268

MAXIE BERGER WINS

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (AP)—Maxie Berger, 146½, Montreal welterweight, was extended to win the decision over Vincent La Salva, 149, Mount Vernon, N.Y., in the feature eight-round bout at Ridgewood Grove Saturday night.

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Hockey Standings

	W.	L.	D.	Goals F.	Goals A.	P.
Canadiens	13	4	2	72	46	28
Toronto	10	6	2	68	57	22
Detroit	9	5	3	74	53	21
Boston	8	10	1	82	88	17
Rangers	3	10	4	51	77	8
Chicago	3	10	2	52	76	8

Toe Blake Moves Into Scoring Lead

Toe Blake of Montreal Canadiens, picking up five points in two week-end games, took over scoring leadership of the National Hockey League. Blake moved one point ahead of Bill Cowley of Boston. Elmer Lach and Maurice Richard of Canadiens picked up four points each to take a firm grip on third and fourth slots.

Leaders follow:

	G.	A.	P.
Blake, Canadiens	15	18	33
Cowley, Boston	11	21	32
Lach, Canadiens	5	21	26
Richard, Canadiens	19	6	25
Smith, Chicago	6	16	22
Cain, Boston	13	8	21
Mosienko, Chicago	12	9	21
Bodnar, Toronto	4	17	21

Green Bay Packers Win Pro Grid Title

NEW YORK (AP)—The Green Bay Packers scored twice in the second period and then staved off a last half rally to defeat New York Giants 14 to 7 for the United States professional football championship before 46,000 fans at the Polo Grounds Sunday.

Ted Fritsch was the big man as the Packers won.

Fritsch, a squat 210 pounder, scored both touchdowns the Packers needed to bring the title to their Wisconsin city for a sixth time.

The crowd paid a record $146,205 to see the fray and the winning team will split a pool of $41,896 while the losers will divide $27,938.

Victoria and District Football League will hold a meeting Tuesday night at 7.30 in room 43, Arcade Building. All teams are asked to have delegates present.

Three Cage Games Scheduled Tonight

Victoria and District Basketball League will stage a three-game card at the High School gym tonight.

In the opener at 7, 42nd Ack Ack will battle Hillcrest Fuel, followed an hour later by a clash between the Douglas Tire and Army.

Feature tilt at 9 will bring together Tommy Tuckers and Navy in the men's senior B division.

Poultry feathers before being used in pillows, quilts and mattresses, should be washed in water containing household ammonia, baking soda, or borax, to get rid of odors and natural grease; preferable drying is outdoors, in bags in the wind.

Canadiens Hold Six Point Hockey Margin

WEEK-END SCORES
Canadiens 8, Boston 5.
Canadiens 4, Rangers 1.
Toronto 1, Detroit 1.
Chicago 2, Detroit 1.

Montreal Canadiens assumed a commanding six-point lead in their defence of the National Hockey League championship as they swept week-end games from Boston Bruins and New York Rangers by scores of 8 to 5 and 4 to 1.

The Frenchmen were aided by the offensive collapse of Detroit Red Wings, who scored only two goals in drawing 1 to 1 with Toronto Maple Leafs and losing 2 to 1 to the lowly Chicago Black Hawks. The Detroiters' poor showing left them one point behind Toronto in the battle for second place, and dropped them out of immediate contention for the leadership after they had driven to within striking distance.

Black Hawks, by scoring their third victory of the season and their first since edging the Red Wings Nov. 26, jumped into a fifth-place tie with Rangers.

Canadiens brought out heavy artillery before home fans Saturday to subdue Bruins for the fifth straight time.

Lumley, manager Jack Adams' latest goal-tending candidate from Indianapolis Capitols, was a major factor in earning Wings' draw with Toronto. He parried 35 Leaf drives in a dull hockey exhibition.

FIGHT SEEN

It took a fight to stir up Canadiens against Rangers. Flying Frenchmen were leading 2 to 1 when the brawl broke out behind the New York goal in the middle of the second period. A half dozen players from the two teams were in the scrap.

All but Dill and Richard were soon calmed. During the peace negotiations Richards swung a right that sent the Ranger defenceman flat on the ice. When the two entered the penalty box, they started all over again and Dill received a cut near his left eye in the punching. Each player drew a major and a misconduct penalty.

Rangers scored their only goal in the first 43 seconds on a play by Grant Warwick. Richard tied it up late in the first period while Joe Shack was in the penalty box and ex-Ranger Dutch Hiller put Montreal ahead at 4.06 of the second frame.

After the fight, the Flying Frenchmen completely outplayed the home club. Bob Fillion made it 3 to 1 before the second period ended and Fern Majeau added the fourth tally in the final period.

CANADIENS—RANGERS

First period — 1, New York, Warwick (Watson), .43; 2, Montreal, Richard (O'Connor, Lach), 16.46. Penalties: Scherza, Shack, Lamoureux.

Second period—3, Montreal, Hiller (Bouchard), 4.06; 4, Montreal, Fillion (Blake), 15.11. Penalties: Dill (major and 10 minute misconduct), Richard (major and 10 minute misconduct), Majeau.

Third period—5, Montreal, Majeau (Fillion), 7.43. Penalties: None.

CANADIENS—BOSTON

First period—1, Montreal, Maron, 6.31. Penalty: Harmon.

Second period — 2, Boston, Gaudreault (Gladu, Clapper), 8.09; 3, Montreal, Richard (Blake, Lach), 8.56; 4, Montreal, Richard (Lach, Blake), 10.20; 5, Montreal, Blake (Lach, Harmon), 11.59; 6, Montreal, Hiller (Bouchard), 12.39; 7, Boston, Cowley (Crawford), 18.06. Penalties: None.

Third period—8, Montreal, Blake (Richard, Bouchard), 1.13; 9, Montreal, Bouchard (Mondell), 7.56; 10, Boston, Gaudreault (Gladu, Jackson), 8.38; 11, Boston, Cain, 13.36; 12, Boston, Clapper (Smith, Mario), 17.14; 13, Montreal, O'Connor (Lamoureux), 18.18. Penalties: None.

TORONTO—DETROIT

First period—1, Detroit, Wochy (McAtee, Carveth), 19.46. Penalties: McLean, Lindsay.

Second period — No score. Penalties: None.

Third period—2, Toronto, Hill (Hamilton), 5.39. Penalties: Armstrong (major and match misconduct), Davidson (major and match misconduct), Hamilton.

CHICAGO—DETROIT

First period—1, Chicago, Seibert (Mosienko, Smith), 17.42. Penalties: Horeck (2), Thoms, Armstrong.

Second period—2, Detroit, Howe, 2.03; 3, Chicago, Mosienko, 16.51. Penalty: Jackson.

Third period—Scoring: None. Penalty: Mitchell.

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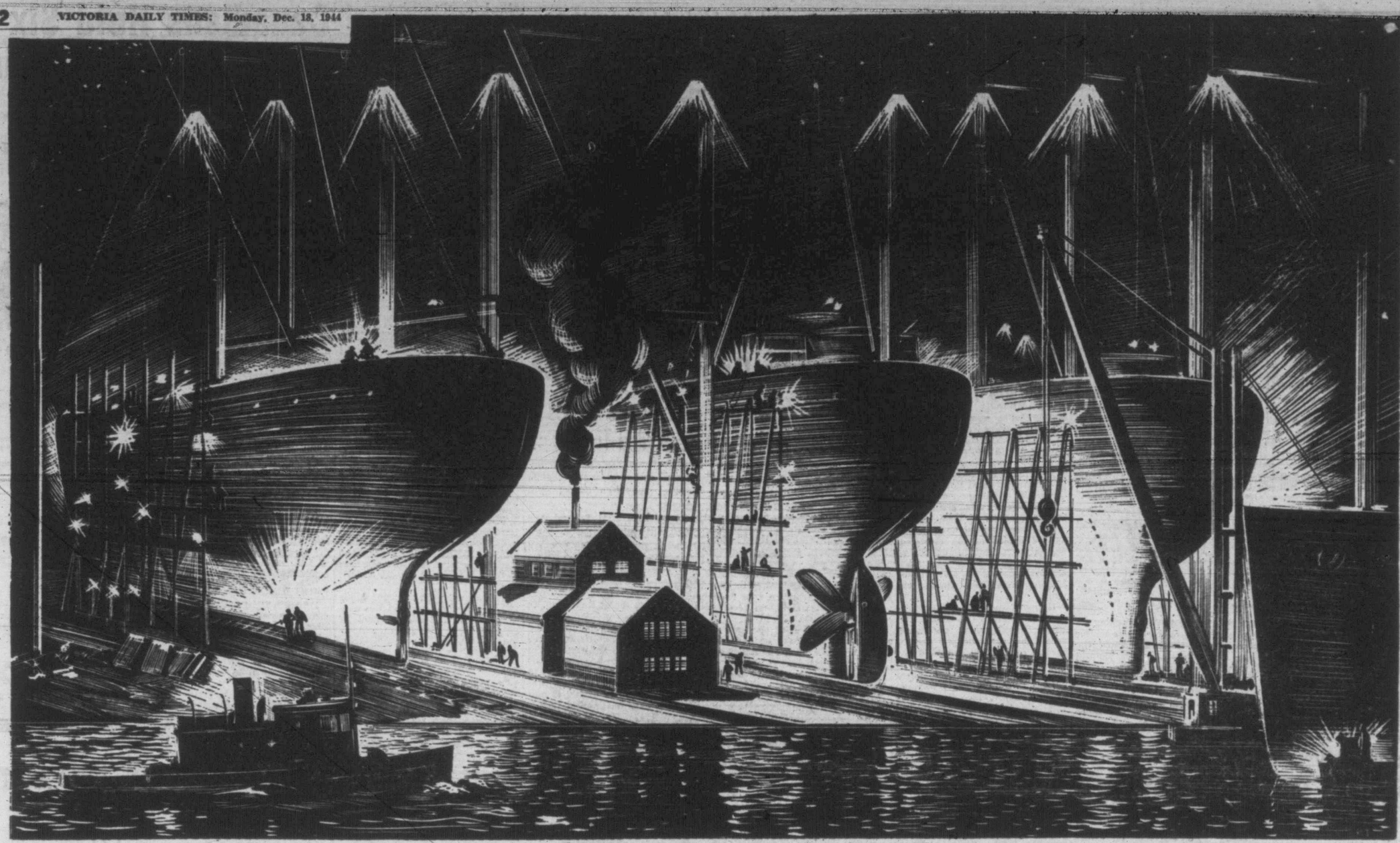

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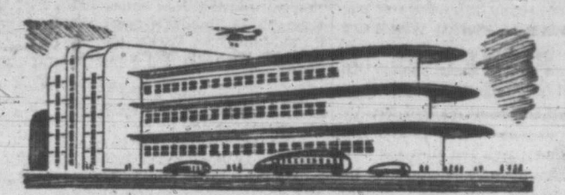

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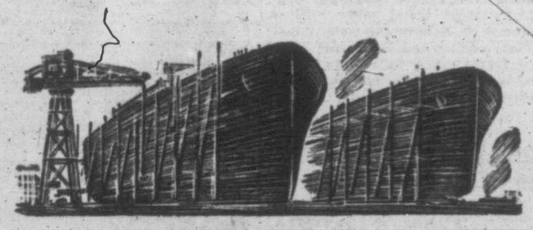

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VANCOUVER (CP) — Fog which plagued the Vancouver district all last week was still around today, but it had risen to 500 feet and the light haze over the streets allowed resumption of normal traffic.

Weather officials said the thick fog hanging over the city may resettle any time, but meantime clearer weather has ended the wave of minor traffic and marine accidents, the slowness of streetcar service, and the grounding of commercial airplanes.

Normal aerial transportation between here and Victoria was resumed today.

Toll of harbor mishaps during the week of fog stood at approximately one dozen. City garages and body-fender repair shops reported a flood of new business as a result of fog traffic accidents.

Plans for Greater Victoria School Drama Festival participation in the intermediate and junior sections of the B.C. festival were discussed by the drama committee under the chairmanship of W. H. Muncy, Saturday. The committee also sent a letter to Hon. J. G. Turgeon, chairman of the Otttawa Committee on Reconstruction, supporting a move to secure art centres in Victoria and Vancouver.

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Lt.-Col. C. H. Neroutsos, D.S.O., who is now visiting his parents, Capt. and Mrs. C. D. Neroutsos, 1076 Joan Crescent, before leaving western Canada to resume civilian duties at the International Paint Co., Montreal. Lt.-Col. Neroutsos spent five years in the service and commanded the Calgary Tank Regiment in Sicily and Italy when the regiment was attached to British 8th Army under Field-Marshal Bernard Montgomery. A leg injury has rendered him unfit for further military duty. He was awarded the D.S.O., for his planning and leadership at San Leonardo, Italy, Dec. 9, 1943. Born in Victoria, he was educated here and went to McGill University with a C.P.R. scholarship, after which he joined the Imperial Paint Co. In 1939, he joined the army with the rank of captain, was promoted to major on March, 1941, to acting lieutenant-colonel in April, 1943, and in July, 1943, had his rank substantiated. His wife and three sons are at present living in Vancouver.

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Victoria 'Mails Early' More Parcels Than Ever

Victorians appear at long last, to be obeying the post office plea to "mail early," according to G. H. Gardiner, postmaster. He reports that outgoing mail from Victoria last week was the heaviest ever handled from here in the history of the post office.

"The mail seems to be going out at least two days earlier than it did last year," Mr. Gardiner said. "The heaviest parcel post we had on any day last year was 650 bags, and two days last week we sent out more than 850 bags of parcels."

He did not wish to conjecture if the total volume of mail out of Victoria would be heavier this year than in previous years, because, he said, it might fall off during this week to make the total about the same.

However, a look at the main post office lobby this morning, and a visit to some of the downtown sub-depots did nothing to bear his supposition out. The post office was jammed to the door with a double line-up to the parcel wickets, with other line-ups buying stamps.

ONE DAY LATE

Weather conditions in the east are not doing mail schedules any good, Mr. Gardiner said. All air mail is running at least one day late, and ordinary mail is approximately half a day delayed. There was no parcel mail in this morning, but the letter mail arrived on time.

The Post Office Department in Ottawa reports that the heaviest mail of any season since the outbreak of war was dispatched this year to Canadian armed forces overseas. During the busy periods of October and November when the mails poured into base post office for dispatch to forces in Britain, Italy and Europe, 253,000 bags of letters and parcels were handled.

MILLIONS OF CIGARETTES

This figure is exclusive of the 1,300,000 parcels of 300 cigarettes that were also handled through tobacco companies. It is estimated that to carry all this mail would require enough railway cars to form a train three and a half miles in length.

Throughout the country the largest number of extra helpers on record, approximately 18,000, are being taken on by the different post offices. In Victoria there will be 250 extra carriers, sorters and handlers taken on.

Again the need for early mailing is being stressed, particularly getting local mail out before Dec. 19, if delivery before Christmas is to be guaranteed.

Two of these four B.C. captains who left European war theatres recently and have arrived in Canada to act as instructors following leave at home, are Victorians. Left to right: Captains **C. F. C. MacNeill,** Victoria; N. C. Taylor, Kelowna; G. D. Corry, Penticton, and **J. D. Lorimer,** Victoria. Capt. MacNeill, son of Mrs. G. W. C. MacNeill, 2276 Cadboro Bay Road, and the late Maj. MacNeill, joined the Canadian Scottish at 17, received his commission in 1936. Overseas with the 1st Bn., C.S.R., he was wounded in the head and left leg by shell splinters July 8, in France this year, and was hospitalized in England. He lived here most of his life and was educated in Oak Bay schools. Capt. J. D. Lorimer, whose home is on R.R. No. 2, was commissioned at Gordon Head Officers' Training Centre early in 1943, later going overseas.

Warns Boys to Leave Park Trees Alone

School boys who have invaded Beacon Hill Park to secure greenery and cones for Christmas decorations were warned by Parks Superintendent W. H. Warren today their actions may lead to police action.

Mr. Warren complained of trees being stripped for evergreen boughs and cones. The repredations were particularly noticeable on a Cedar Deodara and Cedar of Lebanon. He reported no trees had been cut, but considerable damage had been done to the evergreens.

The department, he said, had no objection to people picking up cones and stray branches from the ground, but added they had already been cleaned up.

Town Topics

Short vacation will start at the Court House here Friday and continue until Jan. 3.

Immediate steps to set up a Greater Victoria town planning commission are urged by the local C.C.F. in a letter to the City Council today.

Albert Hack, 76, was found dead at the Salvation Army, 527 Johnson Street, where he lived, at 1.48 this morning by R. Wardell, janitor. City police removed the body to the Thomson Funeral Home. Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner, was notified.

Hard-of-Hearing Club will hold a Christmas party at the club-rooms, 1416 Douglas Street, at 8.15 Wednesday evening. Singing of Christmas carols will be led by F. G. Purser. The club will not hold a meeting Dec. 27, but will meet as usual Jan. 3.

Removal of forest trees from boulevards on Trutch, Oliphant, Oxford, Howe and Chapman and from the section on Government between Michigan and Toronto is recommended by the parks superintendent in a letter due for City Council consideration today.

Shipyard, Aircraft Workers in Protest

LONDON (CP)—Some 150,000 workers in more than 200 Scottish shipyards and aircraft factories held demonstrations today against the British policy in Greece, and shouted approval of resolutions calling on the government to arrange an immediate armistice in that nation.

The protest meetings were held in lieu of originally proposed one-day work stoppages.

Yanks Shaping Up New-Won Airfields On Mindoro Island

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILLIPPINES (AP)—Airfields were being whipped into shape today on the southern end of Mindoro Island, now securely in U.S. hands, while Allied infantrymen were 11 miles from the beachhead they established at dawn last Friday.

Only scant resistance was encountered, a spokesman reported. The U.S. forces had command of strategic high ground and set up a strong defence six miles beyond the town of San Jose.

On Leyte Island to the southeast, troops of the U.S. 77th Division outflanked Japan's Yamashita Line at the southern section of the Ormoc corridor and drove seven miles north toward an ultimate junction with forces pressing southward.

HALF HOUR FROM MANILA

U.S. and Australian construction engineers on Mindoro were busy making ready captured airstrips for day and night fighter planes. These airfields are only 150 miles from Manila—a flight of less than half an hour.

Carrier plane blows against the Manila area gave strong support to the Mindoro advance.

Maj. Richard I. Bong of Poplar, Wis., top U.S. ace, shot down his 39th enemy plane Friday in a fighter sweep over Negros Island in support of the Mindoro operation. That is one more than the total of Wing Cmdr. J. E. (Johnny) Johnson, British-born leader of an R.C.A.F. Spitfire wing in Europe.

The flanking movement on Leyte entailed some of the bloodiest fighting on the Philippine campaign. Gen. MacArthur listed 2,012 new Japanese dead to add to the 37,154 already counted on Leyte.

Assize Sentences Imposed Today Total 10 Years

Sentences totaling 10 years and six months were imposed by Mr. Justice A. D. Macfarlane today, on eight persons who were tried and found guilty at the fall Assizes.

Isaac Gelley, 47, charged with gross indecency, was sentenced to 2½ years in the penitentiary.

Robert Carlow, 18, indecent assault, nine months with hard labor at Oakalla.

Joseph P. Richmond, indecent assault, 18 months.

Charles Bryan Codd, possession of narcotics, six months and $200 fine, in default of payment, a further three months.

Charles Albert Bentley, possession of narcotics, six months and $200 fine, in default of payment, a further three months.

William Hodges, uttering a forged document, 3½ years in the penitentiary; in possession of two stolen tires one year, to run concurrent with the first sentence passed.

Wing Hope, possession of two stolen tires, six months with hard labor at Oakalla.

Bernard Howard, forgery, six months with hard labor at Oakalla.

JUDGE'S COMMENT

Heaviest sentence imposed was that of Hodges, given 3½ years from date of conviction on one charge. Gordon Cameron read a list of former convictions against Hodges, and Mr. Justice Macfarlane remarked: "These sentences don't seem to have much effect on you in the way of correction."

Hodges stated that after his last term in jail, he enlisted in the army and was later given an honorable discharge for medical reasons. He said he wished to maintain his innocence on a second charge of being in possession of two stolen tires.

In sentencing Gelley to 2½ years in the penitentiary, to date from the time of his original arrest, Mr. Justice Macfarlane said that a sentence of this kind was not primarily one of punishment. It concerned first, he said, correction to the person himself, secondly, protection to society and thirdly, punishment.

"I am a sick man and have been for 17 years, through wounds received in the last war," Gelley said before sentence was passed.

Mr. Justice Macfarlane said he had reduced the original sentence he intended to give Carlow because of the boy's extreme youth.

"I still say I am not guilty," Richmond told the court. Mr. Justice Macfarlane stated that he had had a fair trial and his sentence would date from day of conviction.

Codd told of his attempts to rehabilitate himself, stating that he was now in partnership with two men in Vancouver in a photographic business.

In sentencing Howard Mr. Justice Macfarlane said any representations on the man's behalf could be made to the Minister of Justice.

F. R. Higgins, K. C., counsel for Wing Hope, stated that the latter was a young businessman, father of four children and had no previous record.

Jas. E. Coyne Named Executive Assistant In Bank of Canada

OTTAWA (CP) — The Bank of Canada today announced the appointment of James E. Coyne of Ottawa as executive assistant to the governor.

Mr. Coyne was until recently a flying officer in the R.C.A.F., from which he was discharged as being over the age for pilots for overseas service.

Born in Winnipeg in 1910, he was a Rhodes Scholar from Manitoba in 1931. He was graduated from Oxford University in 1934 and after being called to the bar of Manitoba practised law in Winnipeg until 1938, when he joined the staff of the Bank of Canada.

Since the outbreak of war Mr. Coyne has been on leave of absence from the bank and before joining the R.C.A.F. served as secretary of the Foreign Exchange Board, financial attache with the Canadian legation in Washington and deputy chairman of the Prices Board.

In November, 1942, he enlisted in the R.C.A.F. for air crew. He received his wings at nearby Uplands in February, and has recently been acting as a staff pilot in Canada.

Churchill Broadcast Remains Indefinite

LONDON (CP)—A spokesman at 10 Downing Street said today that "nothing had been decided" as to whether Prime Minister Churchill will make a broadcast review of the war and political situation within the next few days.

The same spokesman Saturday had said it was "quite possible" Mr. Churchill would broadcast Sunday night, but the Prime Minister did not go on the air.

Canadian Legion educational services' public-speaking class conducted by Frank Paulding will hold a toast night at 6.30 this evening at the Y.M.C.A. Sgt. C. E. Kitto will be toastmaster.

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2	7.49	8.8	10.11	8.3	13.36	9.2	22.49	0.8
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16	7.18	8.6	8.50	8.5	12.54	9.6	21.55	0.9
17	7.56	8.8	9.35	8.6	13.12	9.7	22.35	0.9
18	8.31	8.9	10.32	8.6	13.44	9.5	23.16	1.1
19	9.00	9.0	11.34	8.5	14.19	9.0	23.59	1.5
20	9.24	8.9	12.41	8.1	14.56	8.4	...	...
21	0.45	2.3	9.29	8.9	14.04	7.4	15.51	7.5
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31	7.26	9.1	9.59	8.5	13.06	9.2	22.25	1.2

Announcements

BIRTHS

COX—To PO. and Mrs. J. S. Cox, on Dec. 15, 1944, at St. Joseph's Hospital, a baby brother for Janet.

FRANCIS—On Dec. 16, at Royal Jubilee Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Francis, 788 Gorge Rd., W., a son.

GREGORY—To Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Gregory, on Dec. 17, at Hotel Dieu, Gaspe, Que., a daughter, Margaret Elaine.

McCONNELL — On Dec. 16, to Leading Writer and Mrs. Robert J. McConnell (nee Irene Charlton), at Vancouver, a daughter.

MACKAY—To Leading Writer and Mrs. Edwin MacKay (nee Mary Hynes), at St. Joseph's Hospital, on Dec. 18, a daughter.

YOUNG—To Writer R. W. Young, R.C.N.V.R., and Mrs. Young (nee Bessie Davidson), at Royal Jubilee Hospital, on Dec. 16, 1944, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

McDOWELL—ROBINSON—Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson, 791 Cave St., announce the marriage of their eldest daughter, Wilhelmina, "Ina," to Mr. William James McDowell, only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McDowell, 1424 Denman St., which took place at Victoria West United Church on Dec. 16, at 8 p.m., with Rev. J. C. Jackson officiating.

DEATHS

ERICSON—Suddenly, on Dec. 16, 1944, at 581 Johnson St., Isaac Helmer Ericson, aged 69 years. Born in Lulea, Sweden, and a resident of Victoria since 1938, before coming here having resided at Pincher Creek, Alta., for 20 years. He leaves two sons, Frank W. Ericson in Victoria and George G. Ericson with the T.C.A., Alta., and one granddaughter.
Funeral service in Hayward's (B.C.) Funeral Chapel on Wednesday at 3 p.m. Cremation. (No flowers, by request).

GLASS—Passed away at the residence on Dec. 16, Christina Glass, aged 67 years, beloved wife of John Glass of 211 Mary St. Born in Scotland and had resided in Victoria for the past 16 years, the late Mrs. Glass is survived by, besides her husband, one son, James A., of the R.C.N. and two daughters, Mrs. M. D. King of Courtenay, V.I., and Mrs. Robert Elphick of Banff, Alta.
Funeral services will be held in McCall Bros.' Floral Funeral Chapel on Tuesday afternoon at 2, Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson officiating, followed by interment in Colwood Burial Park.

PENKETH—Suddenly on Dec. 16, 1944, at his home, 2744 Avebury Avenue, Thomas Arthur Penketh, aged 55 years; born in Victoria. Besides his wife, at home, he leaves one daughter, Mrs. Dorren John, Wales, and three sisters, Mrs. F. Jeeves, Miss Harriet Penketh and Mrs. J. V. Johnson, all in Victoria.
Funeral on Tuesday, leaving Hayward's (B.C.) Funeral Chapel at 1.45 p.m. for St. John's Church, where service will be conducted by Rev. George Biddle at 2. Interment in family plot in Ross Bay Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

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BOXING NIGHT—OLD-TIME DANCING at Crystal Garden (lower); Stewart's orchestra.

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Old-time frolic, Crystal Garden (lower); Irvine's orchestra. Tickets on sale Saturday nights. 770-2-142

5 Coming Events (Continued)

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE—GOBLIN Ballroom, above Oak Bay Theatre. Tickets obtainable at Goblin Coffee Shop. 2701-14-152

OLD-TIME DANCE
Shrine Auditorium, Fridays; Stewart's orchestra. "The Friendly Dance." 9-12. Supper (optional). tf

PUBLIC DANCING
A modern dance at Shrine Auditorium every Saturday Hugh Gray's Orchestra (former Bell-Boys), 9-12. 50c. tf

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Fall Fatal
REGINA (CP)—Aubrey Brownridge, 22, of Moose Jaw, was fatally injured Saturday when he fell from a locomotive here. Brownridge had started to work for the C.P.R. recently. Fillmore is 66 miles southeast of Regina.

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Canadians Capture 1,100 Germans In 2 Weeks Fighting

ROME (AP)—British 8th Army units today held a line along the Senio River, stretching five miles southward from the Bologna-Rimini Highway, Allied headquarters said.

Meantime it was announced the Canadian Corps had captured more than 1,100 prisoners since it went back into action with assaults west of the Montone River two weeks ago.

The Canadians had been engaged in fierce fighting a major part of last week at "the Anzio of the Adriatic"—their Naviglio Canal bridgehead—but a delayed dispatch from Canadian Press war correspondent William Boss said that by Friday night the battle had "settled down . . . to normal close-contact fighting."

FURTHER GAINS

Today's communique said without details the Canadians had made further gains south of Bagnacavallo "against strong resistance." Bagnacavallo is 11 miles west of Ravenna, and close to the left bank of the Naviglio bridgehead.

The south anchor of the 8th Army line is held by Polish troops who Sunday captured Limisamo and Casette in a drive toward the Senio against strong enemy resistance.

Canadian troops to the north held the other anchor near Bagnacavallo, while other 8th Army units virtually cleared the Germans from captured Faenza, which fell to New Zealand troops Sunday. Headquarters said isolated pockets of enemy resistance still remain in the northern outskirts of the highway stronghold.

Only patrol activity was reported from the Allied 5th Army front.

Emotional Ailments In Navy Decrease

A NEWFOUNDLAND PORT (CP)—Psychiatrists at this base say emotional ailments among sailors of the Canadian navy's Newfoundland command have dropped sharply since D-Day, and they believe rising war optimism may be a major cause.

Acute cases always have been infrequent in the navy, say Surgeon Cmdr. Marvin Wellman of Whitby, Ont., and Surgeon Lieut. J. F. Simpson of Toronto, but now they are rarer than ever. It's "quite likely," they think, that one of the reasons for the decline is a general feeling that victory now is assured, thus increasing the average sailor's hopes of returning safely to his home and friends.

Ironically, the psychiatrists report, worries over rehabilitation and postwar family affairs now are appearing in place of various former causes for "anxiety states" in some patients.

Eisenhower Made Choice of Timing Of German Attack

By JOHN KIMCHE
Reuter's Military Correspondent

LONDON (CP-Reuter) — The Germans' counterattack on the United States 1st Army, first big enemy counteroffensive since the attempt to cut the U.S. 3rd Army lifeline at Avranches in Normandy four months ago, bears the hallmarks of careful preparation—unlike the desperate attempt in Normandy.

Germany's best generals are in charge of this attack and Field Marshal Gerd von Rundstedt, enemy western front commander, signed the order of the day saying "everything is at stake."

Field Marshal von Rundstedt clearly has prepared his stroke with care by drawing on air and panzer reserves which had been husbanded for the day; he is staking a great deal on this counterattack. But who timed it?

BAIT FOR ENEMY

Gen. Eisenhower must have realized that something like this would come sooner or later. The strangely-inactive front between the Aachen sector and Luxembourg seemed almost an invitation to Field Marshal Rundstedt. It was tempting bait and Gen. Eisenhower may have wanted him to take it now rather than later.

The reasons for Field Marshal von Rundstedt's timing have to be sought in the conditions of the German camp—not in those of the Allies. Apparently the big attempt had to be made to stop the Allied advance in the south and the consolidation of the Allied position on the Roer. This speaks of disquiet on the German side about the consequences of further Allied penetrations. From a purely military point of view the time for counterattack had not yet come. If Field Marshal von Rundstedt had any choice he would have waited.

Pravada Backs Up Polish Claims To Nazi Territory

MOSCOW (AP)—Pravda printed today an article by Dr. Stefan Yendrikowski, representative of the Lublin Polish Committee of National Liberation, supporting claims to the German lands east of the Oder and lower Neisse.

(The Oder flows within 30 miles of Berlin northeast of the German capital. The Neisse joins the Oder southeast of Berlin.)

Yendrikowski said the governments of France, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Soviet Russia and Prime Minister Churchill support these claims, but "some persons and even groups of the United States have not grasped the complex problem of our western frontiers and for this reason do not see eye to eye on our demands."

Declaring Poland's right to "ancient Polish territories which have always been populated by Polish tribes," he laid claim to these lands:

1. Both Upper and Lower Silesia (which would include Breslau).
2. "Border territories to the east of the Oder."
3. Western Pomerania to the Oder.
4. The Vistula estuary (Danzig).
5. Varmca and Masuria. (Western and southern East Prussia.)

Gifts Out of Air Mystify Detroit

DETROIT (AP) — Some folks are wondering if Santa Claus is operating straight out of the jungles of New Guinea.

A seven-foot nylon parachute with a package containing a camera, handmade locket, two prayer books and a note was found in a yard here Sunday.

One of the prayer books bore an inscription identifying it as the property of Pfc. Wesley de Quin.

Police located his wife, Mrs. Barbara de Quinn, and she identified it as the property of her husband, who has been overseas for over a year.

The note read: "Hi sweetheart. Honey, I'm sorry but this will have to do for a part of your Christmas present. I love you. Jim."

Mrs. de Quin told police "Jim" was her husband's nickname.

Army authorities said they would retain the parachute, but indicated the gifts would be turned over to Mrs. de Quin.

The parachute, of a type used for dropping supplies to troops, landed about six miles from the de Quin home.

WINNIPEG (CP) — R. C. Vaughan, chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways, today said railway expenses in Canada have increased "at an enormous rate" during the war.

The C.N.R. payroll will be $40,000,000 more in 1944 than it would have been at 1939 rates, and materials will cost $25,000,000 more in 1944 than they would have cost at 1939 prices, he said.

Mr. Diggon Tenders Thanks

I desire to tender thanks to my fellow-citizens for their fine measure of support accorded to me in the recent civic election. I would assure them that it will be my endeavor to amply justify their confidence so emphatically expressed. We are entering upon a period in the history of our city when problems of the utmost importance will have to be faced. I count it a privilege to have been given the opportunity of contributing my share towards their solution.

HAROLD M. DIGGON.

Mr. Wootton's Thanks

I would like to assure all the good neighbors of Oak Bay who expressed their confidence in me by casting their vote in my favor on Saturday of my deep appreciation and thanks. My offer to serve has now been accepted and a binding contract made and it contains my covenant to do my best in the performance of my duties as Councillor.

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Frankie Parker, Miss Betz Heads U.S. Net Rankings

NEW YORK (AP)—Frankie Parker makes his 12th consecutive appearance in tennis' top 10 today, but this time the veteran with the much-discussed forehand is ranked No. 1.

Pauline Betz, Los Angeles, is No. 1 on the women's list for the third straight year, while Parker, No. 8 in 1943, replaces Lieut. Joe R. Hunt of the United States navy on the top rung among the men. Hunt's navy services kept him out of competition.

The 1944 listings were released Saturday by the United States Lawn Tennis ranking committee, but they do not become official until approved by the parent body at the annual meeting here Jan. 20.

Parker, who won the United States singles crown at Forest Hills in September after 15 years of trying, was followed by William Talbert of Indianapolis, Francisco Segura of Ecuador, Lieut. Don McNeill of the United States navy, Lieut. Seymour Greenberg of the navy, Aviation Cadet Robert Falkenburg of Hollywood, Jack Jossi of San Francisco, Charles W. Oliver of Perth Amboy, N.J., and Jack McManis and J. Gilbert Hall, both of New York.

Miss Betz, who repeated as queen of the courts in the 1944 nationals, was followed in the ranking by Margaret Osborne of San Francisco, Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, Calif.; Dorothy May Bundy of Santa Monica, Mary Arnold of Los Angeles, Doris Hart of Miami, Mrs. Frank Kovacs of San Francisco, Shirley June Fry of Akron, Ohio; Mrs. Patricia C. Todd of Hidden Valley, Calif., and Dorothy Head of Alameda, Calif.

'The Tear' Honored By Turf Writers

NEW YORK (AP)—Twilight Tear, three-year-old darling of the turf, today was picked the "best horse of 1944" in a poll of 154 sports and turf writers conducted by the Turf and Sport Digest, Baltimore.

Warren Wright's perk little miss by Bull Lea-Lady Lark won 14 of 17 races during the year under the training of Calumet Farm's Ben Jones. Already over the $200,000 mark there seems little doubt that she will become the top money-winning filly of all time during 1945. At present she ranks second to Top Flight's $275,000.

The first filly to gain best horse of the year recognition, The Tear was picked by 121 of the 154 writers. Of the remaining votes 20 went to Walter Jefford's unbeaten two-year-old Pavot; six to Alfred Parker's By Jimminy; three to Wright's Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner, Pensive; two to Greentree Stables' Devil Diver, and one each to Seven Hearts and Okana. Twilight Tear thus joins the company of such great horses as Granville, War Admiral, Seabiscuit, Challedon, Whielaway and Count Fleet, previous winners of the award.

The scribes named Pavot as the best two-year-old colt and Col. E. R. Bradley's Busher as the best juvenile filly. The Tear was the best three-year-old with Devil Diver selected first in the class of four-year-olds-and-up by a margin of 286 points to 254 over First Fiddle.

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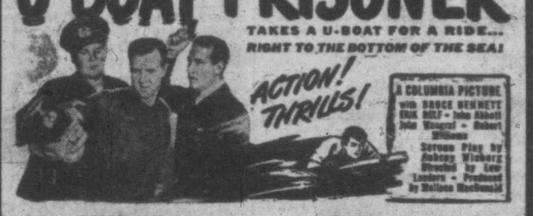

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Lord Astor Has Great Plans for Undefeated Colt

By ALLAN NICKLESON

LONDON (CP) — Down in Wiltshire, at the historic Manton racing stable, there lives a chestnut colt that exemplifies patience and good manners. So far as the colt, Court Martial, knows life is mainly a round of eating, growing and being groomed.

But the two-year-old, who stands 15¼ hands, 3½ inches, has had an ambitious future mapped out by his owner, Lord Astor. He will be entered in the 1945 Derby, St. Leger and 2,000 Guineas, three of Britain's five yearly classics, in the strong hope he will break Lord Astor's string of non-successes in important races.

So far, Court Martial has run only twice. Each time he won without being pressed. He didn't see a racecourse until last August, and then won by two lengths from 10 opponents, despite his amateurish touch of staring about as he ran.

In his second race a month later he was bumped on the stretch and nearly fell, but recovered enough to win by half a length. Now, in the winter books, he is quoted at 7 to 1 for the Guineas and 8 to 1 for the Derby.

Joe Lawson, veteran trainer who has turned out nine classic winners, admits that stamina in Court Marsial is a question mark.

"His sire, Fair Trial, has yet to produce a stayer, and the dam, Instantaneous, hasn't produced a first class stayer either," said Lawson. "But there are always the exceptions to the rule."

To own a stud for the breeding of racehorses is the dream of most turf-lovers, but only a few realize that all Britain's taxpayers have a stake in the National Stud, run by the Agriculture Ministry "to maintain the breed of the British Thoroughbred Horse at the highest possible standard."

Every penney earned by the National Stud is handed over to the exchequer thereby, in a sense, helping to reduce income taxes.

In an endeavor to educate the public as to the functions of the National Stud, a leaflet just issued tells how nominations to their stallion, Big Game, are alloted.

Big Games was the first outstanding horse to run in the colors of the King. Two years ago as a three-year-old he won the Classic 2,000 Guineas, but failed in the Derby, over a longer distance because he wasn't a stayer.

Nominations to Big Game are limited to 40 mares. Twenty of them will be the property of the National Stud, five will be outside mares selected by the Stud directors, and 15 will be ballotted for approved outside mares.

As a two-year-old Big Game won all the five races he ran, including the Champagne Stakes and the Coventry Stakes, and proved himself best at not more than 1¼ miles.

Book Law, winner of the St. Leger for Lord Astor in 1927 and second-place finisher in the 1,000 Guineas and the Oaks, died at the Cliveden Stud following a paddock accident. She was carrying a foal to crack sire Colombo and was to have visited the same sire next year. During her racing days Book Law won more than $125,000.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Twentieth Century-Fox, the studio responsible for more exciting film innovations than you could blink a delighted eye at, has done it again!

This time it's "Laura," starring Gene Tierney, Dana Andrews and Clifton Webb, that has Hollywood preview audiences shouting "bravos!" and marking it as the most thrilling, unusual and absorbing screen entertainment to come out of the movie capital in years.

The film, which is currently at the Capitol Theatre, is the story of a strange and dangerous experiment in love—and murder!

Film Shows Tense Drama of Fright

The cumulative effect of fear on a man hunted by the law is convincingly shown in "When Strangers Marry," the Monogram psychological drama now playing on the screen of the Rio Theatre. Obsessed by the dread of capture, the mental processes of the fugitive become increasingly uncertain, and he himself is overcome by the confusion of an animal whose every avenue of escape is blocked by his pursuers.

Dean Jagger is the hunted man suspected of murder, and Kim Hunter is seen as his bewildered bride who joins him on an attempted flight to safety. The action takes place in an obscure section of New York's East Side, and entire sequences are tense with drama which grips the attention of the audience. Each moment seems to bring with it the certainty of discovery and capture.

Robert Mitchum and Neil Hamilton are featured with Jagger and Miss Hunter in "When Strangers Marry," and the sustained atmosphere of suspense is a tribute to the directorial skill of William Castle. King Bros. produced the picture.

Laughton's 'Nero' Immortal Role

"The Sign of the Cross," Paramounts sensational spectacle, was the springboard for Charles Laughton, and brought the admirable English character actor into the limelight. His excellent performance as Nero remains as a model even today. Now, moviegoers will have the opportunity to see Laughton once more in that role when the modernized production of this great Cecil B. DeMille epic arrives today at the Atlas Theatre.

Laughton's strides toward Hollywood stardom came rapidly after his part in "The Sign of the Cross." His Ruggles in "Ruggles of Red Gap" and "Captain Bligh of "Mutiny on the Bounty" are immortal characterizations. Before appearing in films, Laughton was a well-known actor on the British and American stages. Actually, his parents had a different career cut out for him.

Cadet Theatre Stars Beery---Main

Hailed for several years as Marie Dressler's successor, Marjorie Main steps into another co-starring role with Wallace Beery in "Rationing," new M-G-M comedy with a topical theme, now showing at the Cadet Theatre. The actress, whose training began behind the footlights in such plays as "Cheating Cheaters," and in vaudeville with W. C. Fields in "The Family Ford," has climbed steadily in pictures since she made her Broadway stage debut as the mother of the gangster in the film version of "Dead End."

Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS — Charles Laughton in "The Sign of the Cross."
CADET — "Rationing," starring Wallace Beery.
CAPITOL—"Laura," starring Gene Tierney.
DOMINION—Wallace Beery in "Barbary Coast Gent."
OAK BAY-PLAZA — "Footlight Glamour," starring the Bumsteads
RIO—Dean Jagger in "When Strangers Marry."
YORK—Ann Sheridan and Robert Cummings in "King's Row."

Big Cast Featured At York Theatre

Sixty-seven speaking parts is the amazing total in the important Warner Bros. production, "Kings Row," opening today at the York Theatre.

Not since "Anthony Adverse," perhaps, has any Hollywood film required so many established players as this screen version of the best-seller novel by Henry Bellamann.

The line-up of the "Kings Row" cast includes Ann Sheridan, Robert Cummings, Ronald Reagan, Betty Field, Charles Coburn, Claude Rains, Nancy Coleman, Kaaren Verne, Judith Anderson, Harry Davenport, Maria Ouspenskaya, Ludwig Stossel, Ernest Cossart, Ilka Gruning, Minor Watson, Pat Moriarity, Egon Brecher, Ann Todd, Scott Bechett, Mary Thomas and a host of minor players.

The almost unprecedented number of speaking parts is attributable to the fact that the story is spread over three separate periods of time.

Bumsteads Riot In 'Blondie' Film

America's dizziest family, the Bumsteads, came to town yesterday in the latest "Blondie" bombshell, Columbia's "Footlight Glamour," which opens at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres. Of all the goofy goings-on indulged in by the effervescent Blondie and her loving, but loony, spouse, this latest episode is quite the goofiest. You'll laugh long and loud, and you'll also get that nice, warm feeling of being among very amusing friends. Silly as they seem, most of the time the Bumsteads are typical of all the healthy, wholesome young American couples who are striving to keep the home fires burning brightly and have fun doing it.

Derby Day Sequence In Dominion Show

One of the most interesting scenes in "The Man in Grey," coming to the Dominion tomorrow, is the Epsom Downs sequence on Derby Day—a Derby Day in the 19th century, when the course was cluttered with sideshows and very different from the Epsom that we know today.

A great deal of research work was necessary before these sequences could be shot and the studio property department had to make many of the gee-gaws and toys used as prizes in the fair booths. The grotesque heads used in the Aunt Sally booth were copied from Rowlandson caricatures of the period and the old-fashioned caravans were unearthed from a camp near Hounslow.

Several well-known racehorses were taken to the studios during the filming of these Derby Day scenes to parade round the studio "paddock" while ex-jockey Bob Wall coached the crowd of extras in racing etiquette.

Starring in "The Man in Grey" are Margaret Lockwood, James Mason and Phyllis Calvert and the film was directed by Leslie Arliss.

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Where Ammunition Goes

The above photo shows one place where plenty of ammunition went. It is the town of Durwiss, Germany, photographed after Allied "saturation" aerial and artillery bombardment. "All-out" blasting of German strong points like this saves the lives of thousands of soldiers who otherwise would have to storm positions in frontal attack.

Uncle Ray

ARPAD AND HUNYADI RANK AMONG NATIONAL HEROES OF HUNGARY

A kingdom without a king! That is what Hungary has been since 1920.

In 1920 Hungary was declared to be a kingdom, but no king was chosen. Instead a man named Nicholas Horthy became "regent" and he soon started to run the country with a strong hand.

Horthy was born in 1868. As a young man, he entered the Austro-Hungarian navy, and he fought in several sea battles on the Mediterranean between 1914 and 1918.

Toward the close of the first World War, he was given command of the Austro-Hungarian fleet. The war was lost, and the empire of Austria-Hungary was split into pieces. Horthy lived in the piece known as Hungary.

After the war, Horthy was an admiral without a navy. His country did not even own a strip of sea coast.

There were reports that Horthy had a quarrel with Hitler before he lost his power a few months ago. However that may be, he helped Hitler for a long time, and it is not likely that he will rank as one of the "heroes" of Hungary.

If you ask Hungarians to tell about their heroes, they are likely to speak of men who lived hundreds of years ago. One of these is Arpad, and another is Hunyadi.

Arpad was a Magyar chief, and started on the road to fame about the year 884. There is a story that he gathered the other Magyar chiefs around him and joined them in making a "blood treaty." Each chief, we are told, wounded one of his arms. Then, it seems, the blood was allowed to drip into a bowl, and all the chiefs present drank from the bowl.

Arpad became the army leader, and his soldiers won battle after battle. At length the area of Hungary became a Magyar state, and Arpad held the office of duke. Long after his death, one of his descendants took the title of king.

The hero Hunyadi lived five and a half centuries later than Arpad. He, too, ranks as a military hero. More than once he met the Turks on the battlefield, and defeated them. He lost two important battles against the Turks, but late in his life kept the Turks from capturing Belgrade.

(For history section of your scrapbook.)

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LIVER TABLETS

Scout News

1st Tillicum Cub Pack: Forty-five boys were present. Fred Corbett and Don McIntosh were invested as cubs and received tenderpad badges. Games were played and refreshments served. Next meeting will be Jan. 8, at 6.20.

1st Colquitz Cub Pack: Games were played and badges passed. Maynard Savory was given his toymaker's badge, Jack Horwood, collectors, Bill Farquhar, and Mead Hepworth, artist. Next meeting will be Jan. 10.

1st Strawberry Vale Pack: First and second star instructional games were played. Bill Payne was given his artist badge.

North Quadra Cubs: Christmas party was held on Wednesday. Games were played and presents were given. David Geddes won the prize for the best birdhouse. Mervin Beaveridge was second. The Yellow Six won the honor pennant. George Harvey, R.C.N.V.R., who, after helping the pack for many months, has left for the east, was presented with an autograph book signed by each boy in the pack. Next meeting will be Jan. 3 at 6.30.

North Quadra Scout Troop: Cubs were the scouts' guests. Games were played, under Scoutmaster Ernie Merritt and Freeman King. Campfire singing was led by R. Milligan and F. King. Michael Stedman and Jack McBay were presented with artists' badges and Michael Stedman with house orderly and gardeners' badges. Leaping Wolf badges were presented to the following boys who were 2nd star cubs and now are in the troop: Ronald McCredy, Jimmy Mooney, Lorne Dayies, Mark Stedman, Ronald Ferguson, Bobby Wetmore and Neville Hutton. Neville Hutton was also presented with the cub instructor's badge. Scout Dave Francis was given his laundryman's, rescuer's and swimmer's badges. Scout R. Milligan was presented with his grade A green cords; Mark Stedman, with his second class badge. Other guests of the troop were Cubmaster Jean Parker, Assitant C.M., Mary Wilkinson, Freeman King, Mrs. E. Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. G. Parker. After the badge presentation, wieners and buns and cocoa were served. The meeting closed with scout closing and cub prayer. The next scout meeting will be Jan. 5.

Dimout Lifted

OTTAWA (CP)—Dimout regulations along the St. Lawrence River have been lifted, perhaps never to be imposed again if the war goes well, it was announced today by the Office of the Director of Civil Defence for Canada.

Postpone Inquest

EDMONTON (CP) — Inquest into the death of Margaret Lindsay, 23, in September, will be held Jan. 11 to allow R.C.M.P. more time to investigate, Dr. E. A. Braithwaite, chief coroner of Alberta, said today.

Chelsea, Tottenham Tied for Lead In English Football

LONDON, (CP)—Prolific Chelsea which sprang a surprise by keeping atop the League South soccer table, today suffered its first defeat since last September's opening of the season, while up north Huddersfield continued its winning ways and loomed a heavy favorite to emerge as titlists when the League North championships series conclude next week.

Chelsea lost 2-0 to third-place Brentford. Chelsea's loss and a 3-2 victory by Tottenham Hotspur over Reading lifted Tottenham into a first-place tie with Chelsea, each with 28 points.

IRISH LEAGUE

Belfast Celtic 2, Cliftonville 0.
Derry City 0, Linfield 3.
Glentoran 3, Distillery 4.

SCOTTISH SOUTHERN LEAGUE

Airdrieonians 1, Clyde 2.
Celtic 5, Hamilton Academicals 3.
Falkirk 1, Morton 0.
Hibernians 0, Dumbarton 0.
Motherwell 4, Queens Park 2.
Partick Thistle 4, Albion Rovers 1.
St. Mirren 1, Hearts 2.
Third Lanark 1, Glasgow Rangers 4.

LEAGUE, NORTH

Aston Villa 5, Northampton Town 2.
Barnsley 2, Sheffield Wednesday 3.
Birmingham City 2, West Bromwich Albion 1.
Blackpool 2, Blackburn Rovers 1.
Bradford City 2, Hartlepools United 4
Bury 2, Crewe Alexandra 5.
Chester 7, Manchester City 1.
Derby County 4, Rotherham United 0.
Doncaster Rovers 9, Lincoln City 2.
Everton 6, Stockport County 1.
Grimsby Town 3, Nottingham Forest 1.
Halifax Town 4, Rochdale 2.
Hull City 0, Bradford 4.
Leeds United 2, York City 1.
Manchester United 1, Wrexham 6.
Middlesbrough 3, Darlington 3.
Newcastle United 1, Huddersfield Town 2.
Notts County 0, Chesterfield 3.
Oldham Athletic 0, Bolton Wanderers 5.
Preston North End 1, Burnley 1.
Sheffield United 4, Mansfield Town 0
Southport 0, Accrington Stanley 2.
Stoke City 5, Leicester City 2.
Sunderland 2, Gateshead 1.
Tranmere Rovers 1, Liverpool 5.
Walsall 2, Portvale 2.
Wolverhampton Wanderers 1, Coventry City 1.

LEAGUE SOUTH

Aldershot 2, Arsenal 3.
Brighton and Hove Albion 0, Crystal Palace 3.
Charlton Athletic 1, Portsmouth 1.
Chelsea 0, Brentford 2.
Luton Town 4, Clapton Orient 2.
Queens Park Rangers 4, Fulham 4.
Southampton 0, Millwall 3.
Tottenham Hotspur 3, Reading 2.
West Ham United 6, Watford 2.

LEAGUE WEST

Aberaman Athletic 5, Swansea Town 2
Bath City 1, Bristol City 5.
Lovells Athletic 2, Cardiff City 3.

SCOTTISH NORTHEASTERN LEAGUE

Supplementary Cup First Round

Dundee 7, Raith Rovers 1.
Dunfermline Athletic 2, Aberdeen 1.

SCOTTISH NORTHEASTERN LEAGUE

Rangers 2, Dundee United 0.

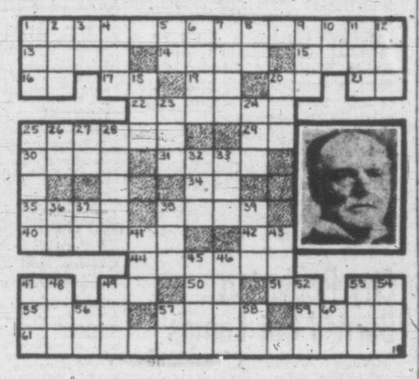
OTHER MATCHES

Eastern Command 3, National Police 1.
Northern Command 5, Scottish Command 2.
Norwich City 2, R.A.F. 2.

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT RESERVE LEAGUE

Dumbarton 6, Hibernian 6.
Kilmarnock 7, St. Mirren 0.
Morton 1, Celtic 3.
Queens Park 0, Motherwell 2.

Today's Crossword Puzzle



HORIZONTAL

1 Pictured Civil War commander, Gen. —— Tecumseh ——
13 Great Lake
14 Knocks
15 Simplicity
16 Tellurium (ab.)
17 Toward
19 Therefore
20 Hypothetical force
21 Street (ab.)
22 Wickerwork
25 Tower
29 Iron (symbol)
30 Far Eastern continent
31 Exude
34 Alternating current (ab.)
35 Notion
38 Space
40 Shouted
42 Symbol for sodium
44 Hot
47 Opera (ab.)
49 Father
50 Indian army (ab.)
51 Southeast (ab.)
53 Yes (Sp.)
55 Dread
57 To the inside
59 Highway
61 He is one of America's

VERTICAL

1 Moist
2 Anger
3 Long Island (ab.)
4 Permit
5 Measure of area
6 Spar
7 Speck
8 High school (ab.)
9 Bright color
10 Mother
11 Donkey
12 Seine
18 Mineral rock
20 Individual
22 Dined
24 Nautical term
25 Animal
26 We
27 Rhode Island (ab.)
28 Electronic device
32 Spoil
33 Frozen water
36 Accomplish
37 Each (ab.)
38 Excitement
39 Blackbird of cuckoo family
41 Greek letter
43 Paid notices
46 Circlet
46 Scale of pay
47 Removed
48 Vegetable
49 For
52 Make a mistake
53 Salt
54 Hypothetical structural units
56 Ante meridiem (ab.)
57 Exists
58 Upon
60 On account (ab.)

(Answer to previous puzzle)

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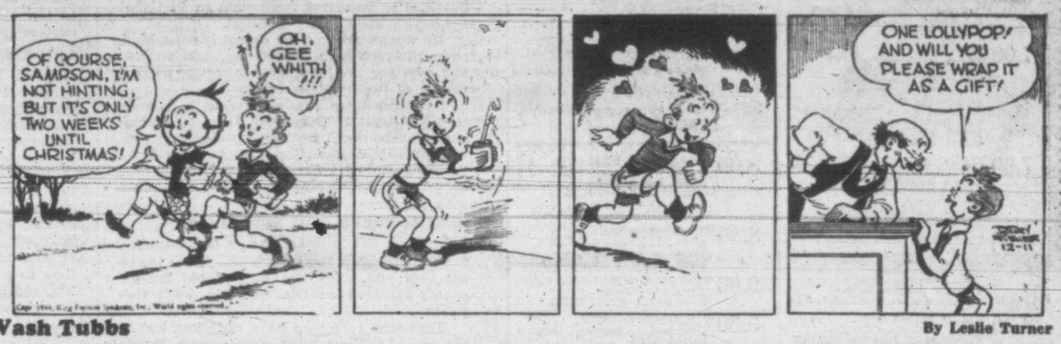
Out Our Way

By J. R. Williams

Right Around Home

By Dudley Fisher



Wash Tubbs

By Leslie Turner

Mr. and Mrs.

By Arthur Folwell and Ellison Hoover

Boots and Her Buddies

By Martin

Freckles and His Friends

By Merrill Blosser

Alley Oop

By V. T. Hamlin

Canadian Golf Meet

TORONTO (CP)—The executive committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association has decided the Canadian open championships will be held in 1945. Venue for the tournament will be decided by the R.C.G.A. at its annual meeting here early in 1945.

The executive committee met here today in its annual pre-meeting conference and laid plans for the open to be the largest tournament in its history. Other plans for 1945 were also discussed and will be submitted to the members at the annual meeting.

Dr. A. W. Matthews of Edmonton, president of the R.C.G.A., was in the chair. Others attending were J. A. Fuller of Montreal and H. A. Frost of Toronto, vice-presidents, and B. L. Anderson, secretary.

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Tonight

5.30-Jack Armstrong—KJR.
School Parade—CJVI.
Washington Reports—KIRO.
Voice of Firestone—KOMO.
Tom Mix—KOL.
On the March—CBR.
Squareshooters—CKWX.
News—KOL. KIRO. 5.45.

6.00-News—CJVI.
Radio Theatre—KIRO. CBR.
Gabriel Heater—KOL.
Builders of Wash.—KJR.
Dinner Diversions—CKWX.
Holiday Romance—KOMO.
Dear Mom—CJVI. 6.15.

6.30-News—CKWX.
Dinner Music—CJVI.
Information Please—KOMO.
Spotlight Bands—KJR.
Music—KOL.

7.00-News—CBR.
Design for Comedy—CJVI.
Modern Music—CKWX.
Henry Gladstone—KOL.
Contented Hour—KOMO.
Drama—CJOR.
Raymond Gram Swing—KJR.
Can. Round-up—CBR. 7.15.
Lowell Thomas—KOL. 7.15.
Screen Guild—KIRO.

7.30-Thanks to Yanks—KIRO.
Yesteryear—CKWX.
Horace Heidt—KJR.
Lone Ranger—KOL.
Recital—CBR.
Pacific Nocturne—CJVI.
Dr. I. Q.—KOMO.

8.00-Night Music—CBR.
Telequiz—CJVI.
Johnny Mercer—KOMO.
Ted Malone—KJR.
Jack Kirkland—KIRO.
Sherlock Holmes—KOL.
Fleetwood Lawton—KOMO. 8.15.

8.30-Michael Shane—KOL.
Radio Theatre—CKWX.
Cavalcade of America—KOMO.
Counter Spy—KJR.
Frank Sinatra—KIRO.
Harmony House—CBR.
Music by Cugat—CJVI.

9.00-News—KOL. CJOR.
Farm Forum—CBR.
War Quiz—CJVI.
Blind Date—KJR.
Telephone Hour—KOMO.
Hymns of Memory—CKWX.
Whistler—KIRO.

9.30-Music—KOL.
Town Meeting—CJOR.
News—KJR.
Operettas—CJVI.
Fiesta—CBR.
Noah Webster Says—KOMO.
Vox Pop—KIRO.

10.00-News—KOMO. CBR. CJVI.
Magic Hour—KJR.
Fulton Lewis Jr.—KOL.
Five-star Final—KIRO.
Elmore Philpott—CBR at 10.10.
News Round-up—CBR. 10.15.

10.30-Kaltenborn and News—KOMO.
Close of Day—CKWX.
L. W. Brockington—CBR.
Magic Hour—KJR.
Wash. Reports—KIRO.
Army Air Forces—KOL.

11.00-Merry Monday Party—KIRO.
Folk Music—KJR.
News—KOMO. KOL.

11.30-Organ—KJR.
Music—KIRO.
Dance Bands—KOL.
News for Alaska—KIRO. 11.45.

Tuesday

7.00-News—KOL. KIRO.
"G-G" Man—CJOR.
Farm Forum—KJR.
Graeme Fletcher—KOMO.

7.30-News—CJVI. KIRO. CKWX.
James Abbe Observes—KJR.
Morning Melodies—KOL.
Breakfast Bandwagon—KOMO.

Tonight's Features

5.30—Richard Crooks—KOMO.
6.00—"Berkeley Square"—Ronald Colman, Maureen O'Sullivan—KIRO, CBR.
6.30—Information Please—KOMO.
7.00—"Age of Innocence"—Merle Oberon, John Payne—KIRO.
8.00—Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce—KOL.
8.30—Cavalcade—KOMO.
8.30—Sinatra, Benny—KIRO.
9.00—Robert Casadesus—KOMO
9.00—The Whistler—KIRO.
9.30—Vox Pop, Bing Crosby—KIRO.

8.00-News—CKWX, CBR, CJVI.
Coffee Pot Parade—KOL.
Radio Parade—KOMO.
Christian Science—KJR.
Ann Baxter—KIRO.
Front Line Family—CBR. 8.15.

8.30-Jerry Morris—KOL.
Breakfast Club—KJR. CBR.
Victor Lindlahr—KOMO.
Light of the World—KIRO.

9.00-News—KOL. CBR. KJR. CJVI.
Bay Choir—CJOR.
Kate Smith—KNX. KIRO.

9.30-Ray Daughters—KOL.
Homekeeper's Calendar—KOMO
Drama—CBR.
Helen Trent—KIRO. KNX.
Christmas Special—CJVI.
Breakfast at Sardi's—KJR.

10.00-News—KOL. KJR. CKWX.
Dialer's Digest—KOMO.
Life Can Be Beautiful—KIRO.
Happy Gang—CBR. 10.15.

10.30-News—KIRO. CJVI.
Your Albers Hour—KOMO.
My True Story—KJR.

11.00-The Guiding Light—KOMO.
Cedric Foster—KOL.
Joyce Jordan—KIRO.
Baukage Talking—KJR.
Perry Mason—CKWX.
Waltz Time—CBR.
Make Mine Music—CJVI.

11.30-Women in White—KOMO.
Young Dr. Malone—KIRO.
Open House—KOL.
Glamour Manor—KJR.
Soldier's Wife—CJVI. CBR.

12.00-News—CKWX. KPO. KOL.
Mary Marlin—KIRO
Woman of America—KOMO
Morton Downey—KJR.
B.C. Farm—CBR.
Al Smith—CJVI.

12.30-News—CJVI. CBR. CJOR.
Farm Journal—KJR.
Pepper Young—KOMO. KPO.
June O'Day—KIRO.
The Smoothies—KOL. CKWX.

1.00-Changing World—KIRO.
Song Shop—CKWX.
Southland Singing—CJVI.
Liptonaires—CBR.
Walter Compton—KOL.
Famous Voices—CJOR.
Backstage Wife—KOMO. KPO.
News—KJR.

1.30-Lorenzo Jones—KOMO. KPO.
Modern Musicians—CBR.
I'll Buy That—KJR.
Red, White and Blue—CJVI.
Newsical—CJOR.
American School of Air—KIRO
Headlines in Harmony—KOL.

2.00-When a Girl Marries—KOMO.
Red, White and Blue—CKWX.
Concert—CBR.
What's Doing—KJR.
Variety in News—KIRO.
Film Favorites—KOL.
Music Corner—CJVI.
Bing Crosby—KOL. 2.15.

2.30-News—KNX. CKWX.
Sweet and Swing—KJR.
Listen to London—CBR.
Just Plain Bill—KOMO. KPO.
For Victory—KOL.
Meet the Missus—KIRO.

3.00-News—KNX. KJR. CJOR.
Music From Pacific—CJVI.
The Road of Life—KOMO.
Western Five—CBR.
War Chest Program—KIRO.
Island Melodies—KOL.
Those Who Serve—CKWX.

3.30-Murals in Music—KJR.
Wendall Hall—CJVI.
Magic Chord—CBR.

News—KOMO.
Music Hall—CKWX.
Musical Matinee—KOL.

4.00-Dr. Kate—KPO. KOMO.
Isabelle McEwan—CBR.
White Cross Talk—KJR.
Fulton Lewis Jr.—KOL.
Recital—CJVI.
Story of S'ndra Martin—KIRO
Blighty—CKWX.

4.30-Melody Hour—KIRO.
Easy Listening—CBR.
Piano Melodies—KOMO.
Howard Costigan—KOL.
Mythical Ballroom—KJR.
Living Today—KOMO. 4.45

5.00-Sam Hayes—KOL.
Big Town—CBR.
O.K. For Release—KOMO.
Hot Off the Wire—KIRO.
Terry and the Pirates—KJR.
Swing Session—CJVI.

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Tonight's Highlights

5.00—Storyland Calling
5.30—School Talent Parade
7.30—Pacific Nocturne
8.00—Tele-quiz
9.00—What Do You Know About the War?
9.30—Operettas on the Air

DIAL 1480

THESE COBWEBS ARE ROBBING SOME CHILD OF A CHRISTMAS GIFT

Parents with good incomes are shopping frantically through the want ads for used playthings of all kinds.—Due to the wartime scarcity of metal, local stores will not be able to supply the demand for velocipedes, toy trains, autos, etc.

Dust the cobwebs from those used playthings around your home and sell them for cash. By so doing you can make other children happy and at the same time raise additional cash for War Savings Stamps.

Telephone want ads to B 3131.

One Woman's Day...

By NANCY HODGES

KYUQUOT CO-OPERATIVE

IN THE PAST I have made several boat trips up the West Coast of Vancouver Island, calling in at its little fishing communities and its picturesque Indian villages.

That is why I was interested the other day to learn something of the work of a group undertaking which has revolutionized conditions for the hardy fishermen who troll in its waters.

The Kyuquot Trollers' Co-operative Association had its beginning in a situation comparable to that of the Rochdale pioneers.

It will be remembered that the Lancashire group of poor but honest weavers in 1844 started a group enterprise which laid down co-operative principles that have endured ever since.

Up to about 15 years ago the fishermen on this coast could scarcely earn enough to keep body and soul together, no matter how hard they worked.

GOT FIVE CENTS A FISH

FOR UNDER THE conditions then prevailing, they were only paid at the rate of five cents per fish—irrespective of its size and quality.

It was no uncommon thing for a man to return from a hard and stormy trip with a boatload of beautiful fish—and to find that the buyers had all they wanted.

He wasn't allowed to dump it near land, so had to turn back out to sea. And got not one cent for his labors or towards the expenses of his fruitless trips.

Attempts were made to find a remedy through political channels, then by unionization of the men. But both proved abortive.

Driven to desperation and facing starvation, a group of West Coast fishermen met on a beach near Kyuquot in 1931 to discuss their plight.

BEACHCOMBED FOR MATERIAL

HAVING NO MONEY, they beachcombed for materials to start with. They towed old logs and, with the aid of old anchor chains salvaged on the beaches, built fish floats.

That first year was hard sledding, but at the end of it their joint assets were valued at $9,000.

Started on a shoestring—and not even a whole shoestring at that—the enterprise has today attained almost the rank of big business.

At October, 1943, the Kyoquot association's assets were valued at $172,000.

It owns three packers (fish boats), seven fish camps, and two general stores—one at Kyuquot, one at Bamfield—whose yearly merchandise sales reach about $100,000.

Last year, the biggest in its history, the "co-op" handled over 4,500,000 pounds of fish, at a sales value of about $750,000.

MEMBERSHIP OF 500.

FROM THAT original handful who met on the beach in 1931, the membership has grown to 500, who all fish off the West Coast of Vancouver Island.

Because it is a co-operative enterprise—as distinct from collectivism—each man owns his own boat and equipment.

He also owns only one $25 share in the association, regardless of the size and value of his own equipment.

Through the co-operative marketing of their fish, the trollers have obtained better prices.

Instead of getting five cents a fish, today they get about $3.30 for a No. 1 grade salmon, weighing about 15 pounds.

Besides ensuring them a decent livelihood, it has enabled the fishermen to improve their boats and equipment. Some of them have invested in boats with radiophones, direction finders and other improvements.

IMPROVED RELATIONS

MORE IMPORTANT even than the economic advantage accruing to the trollers through this joint effort is the fine spirit it has created.

In the old days the fisherman hated every other fisherman. He did everything in his power to keep his own fishing ground, or new spoon or bait, a secret.

He would go to great lengths to prevent another from knowing where the fish was running or at what depth.

Today that attitude has disappeared and the real spirit of co-operation has taken its place. Men will go miles out of their way to tell another where and how to get the best catches.

CONSUMER ALSO BENEFITS

THESE TROLLERS are also trying to relate their efforts to improve things for themselves with bettering things for the consumer.

Quantity before quality was the slogan in the old days of the five-cent fish.

But the co-operative movement has raised the standard by insisting that all fish be graded, that they be gaffed either at head or tail, that they be dressed and bled immediately, and properly handled.

And the wholesale fish dealers are the first to admit that the "co-ops" have given fine service in raising the standard of fish brought to our tables.

WHITES OUST JAPS

I WAS CURIOUS as to the nationality of the members of the Kyuquot group, remembering the many Japanese I had seen on my earlier trips up the coast.

So was glad to hear that British—including many Scots—and Canadians, of varying stock, native Indians, Ukrainians, Poles, Finns and Swedes, are to be found in its ranks.

A Tofino pioneer recalled his experiences of the Japanese who came there to settle and fish many years ago.

At first they were easy to work with, but as they prospered and their families increased, they became arrogant and forced the white men out.

Since the removal of the Japs from this coast, the picture has changed. White men today are fishing in areas where white men never fished before. Which is as it should be.

Complete Plans For Scottish Party

More than 200 guests, including 137 children, will attend the annual Christmas party to be given by the Women's Auxiliary to the Canadian Scottish Regiment at 738 Fort Street, Wednesday, from 2.30 to 5.30. Young guests will be sons and daughters of men now serving with the regiment.

Mrs. W. R. Russell said today that mothers of any children who have not received invitations should get in touch with her immediately at G 3716.

Letters thanking the auxiliary for cigarettes received by Scottish soldiers at the front and in hospital continue to be received by Mrs. W. G. Talbot, convenor of shipments. Scottish Comforts Fund for the purchase of cigarettes has reached $4,533.55.

Subscriptions received this week follow:

Women of the Moose, Victoria Chapter No. 25	$ 7.50
Mrs. P. W. Belson	10.00
Anon	2.00
Sgt. J. McIvor, former 16th Bn.	1.00

Subscriptions may be sent to Kay McIntyre, Times editorial, or in the Duncan area to J. B. Creighton, managing editor, Cowichan Leader.

Murder, Suicide Verdict at Yale

YALE, B.C. (CP) — A verdict of murder and suicide was returned Saturday by the coroner's jury which inquired into the deaths of Mrs. Margaret Creighton and Constantine Kukulniak, Canadian Pacific Railway section hand, here Dec. 13. The bodies were buried Saturday.

Mrs. Creighton's 13-year-old son, Frank, told the jury he watched Kukulniak shoot his mother with an army rifle in the living-room of the Creighton home at 4 o'clock in the morning and then sent a bullet through his own head.

The shootings followed a late trip by Mrs. Creighton with another woman and two men to the cabin of James Kirkpatrick at Saddle Rock, five miles from Yale.

To Entertain Troops

LONDON (CP)—Britain will send three floating "night clubs" to the Pacific to entertain her troops.

In answer to mounting criticism that soldiers battling the Japanese are being neglected, the government is fitting out three big liners. Each is equipped with its own brewery, bar, orchestra and floor show. The ships will brew beer as they sail.

Food Stores Fined

KIMBERLEY, B.C. (CP)—Fines totaling $200 were imposed on three food stores when they were convicted in Police Court here on charges of violating Prices Board regulations.

The Mark Creek store was fined $100 when convicted of selling canned goods and honey above the ceiling prices. Fines of $50 each were paid by Shoup's Food Market and by Muraca's Grocery, both charged with selling canned goods and other food products above the ceiling price.

Orders-in-Council

Provincial government orders-in-council of recent days include the following: Appointing Constable J. W. Purdy of Burns Lake marriage commissioner and district registrar of births, deaths and marriages, in place of Constable J. S. Clark, who has been moved; appointing Dr. R. R. Laird of Hedley, medical health officer of Hedley district and school health inspector of Hedley, Keremos, Cawston and Olalla schools, in place of Dr. Gordon E. Wride, who has left the district; appointing Const. Herbert J. Butler marriage commissioner and district registrar of births, deaths and marriages for Nakusp district, with office at New Denver, in place of Frank Broughton; appointing Norman F. Leach, adjustment officer, Courtenay Branch No. 17, Canadian Legion, Courtenay, as a commissioner for taking affidavits.

General reserve on land was lifted to permit purchase by Wilfred Matton of a 26-acre island in False Bay, Lasquetti Island. Mr. Matton is a fisherman and desires to build a home on the island.

Veteran Fire Shirt Now in Archives

J. A. Bland, librarian at the Courthouse here, has presented to the Provincial Archives the red shirt his father wore as a member of Victoria's pioneer Union Hook and Ladder Company, a volunteer fire brigade. It is the regulation scarlet shirt worn in the seventies.

There were three volunteer fire companies here in the early days, the other two being the Tiger and Deluge Companies. There was always great rivalry between them to see which would be the first at the scene of a blaze.

City Replacing Burned Out Lamps

When Victoria's downtown decorative light streamers go on again for the Christmas period, there will be a few breaks in the strings, but not more than could possibly be avoided.

City workmen during the last few days have been replacing burned out lamps to the limit of their ability, but delay in securing supplies, ordered nine months ago, have prevented them from completing the job.

As it stands, officials of the lights department expect Douglas and major parts of Yates and View to be in operation, with other blocks achieving partial illumination.

Miss Canada's Retrieve $10 Change Shortage

The rush and flurry of Christmas shopping was responsible for the mistake that left two of the Miss Canada girls who braved the chilly weather Saturday to sell War Saving Stamps, $10 short at the end of the day.

Anxious to make a sale they offered to change $10 for a lady so she could buy a stamp, but she got the change, and stepped into a nearby elevator without giving the girls the $10 bill.

First thing this morning, however, the lady called the War Finance office, said that she had found out her mistake when she got home and brought the money back.

London Market

LONDON (CP)—British stock closings, in sterling: Austin Motors A 30s 6d, Babcock and Wilcox 53s, Cent. Mining £20⅝, Consol Gold 67s 6d, Courtaulds 57s 3d, Crown £7½, East Geduld £9⅝, Handley-Page 23s 6d, HBC 69s, London Midland Railway £31½, Metal Box 92s 6d, Mexican Eagle 16s, Mining Trust 4s 6d, Rand £8, Spring 15s 3d.

Bonds: British 2½ per cent Consols £81½, British 3½ per cent War Loan £103 15-16, British Fund. 4s 1960-90 £113 9-16.

New York Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)—Stocks generally were hobbled by further light selling in today's market, although scattered favorites managed to register progress and little real weakness was in evidence.

Canadian issues dipped fractionally, Dome the only firm spot, up ⅛.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Dow Jones averages closed today as follows:
30 Industrials 151.53, off 1.00
20 Rails 46.95, off 0.03
15 Utilities 26.09, off 0.16
Total sales, 980,948.

	Closing Bid
Allied Chemicals	155
American Can	91
American P. and L.	2-3
American Tobacco	66
American Smelter	40-3
American Tel. and Tel.	164-4
Anaconda Copper	28-1
Atchison Topeka	79-3
B. and O. Railway	10-4
Baldwin Locomotive	26-2
Bethlehem Steel	64-4
Boeing Aircraft	17-6
Borden	73-4
Cerro de Pasco	32-1
C. and O. Railway	49-7
Chrysler	91-3
Columbia Gas	4-2
Con. Edison	24-6
Crucible Steel	35-3
Douglas Aircraft	68-4
Eastman Kodak	176
Erie R.R.	13-4
General Foods	41-1
General Electric	39-5
General Motors	64
Great West Sugar	29-1
Howe Sound	36-1
Hupp. Motors	4
Int. Harvester	81
Int. T. and T.	17-1
Kennecott Copper	26-3
Loews Theatre	77-2
Montgomery Ward	51
New York Central	22-3
Northern Pacific	20-4
Penn. Railway	2-7
Radio	10-4
Republic Steel	19-4
Reynold's Tobacco	31-2
Standard Oil N.J.	55-7
Sears Roebuck	105-6
Southern Pacific	40-7
Studebaker	19
Union Oil Cal.	18-7
Union Pacific	117-2
United Aircraft	262
U.S. Rubber	52-4
U.S. Steel	59-4
U.S. Smelting	55
Westinghouse Electric	116
Western Union	44-1
Woolworth	41-7
Youngstown Sheet	39-4
Zenith Radio	39

Steep Rock Down .30

TORONTO — The market turned heavy this afternoon and both mining groups were carried along to net considerable losses. The industrials and western oils also eased downward moderately on lighter volume.

Steep Rock was sold for a drop of 30 cents to 2.30, Labrador dropped 10 and minor declines appeared for Pend Oreille and Sherritt. Noranda and Smelters weakened ¼.

Toronto Index:
20 Industrials 131.45, off .57
20 Golds 106.90, off .10
15 Western Oils 27.04, off .14
Total sales, 537,000.

(By A. E. Ames & Co.)
(9 a.m.)

	Bid	Asked
Aluminum pfd	101½	102
Beatty Bros. A	31	32
Bell Telephone	162	163
B.A. Oil	23¾	23⅞
B.C. Power A	20¼	21
Bralorne	14¼	—
Brazilian Traction	21⅝	22⅛
Burlington Steel	10¾	11¼
Canadian Celanese	45	47
Can. Pac. Rly.	12¾	13⅛
Can. Steamship pfd.	40	40¼
Con. Mining and Smelting	49¾	50½
Fanny Farmer	37⅝	38
Ford of Canada A	25⅛	25½
Gatineau Pwr. 5 per cent pfd	98½	99
Imperial Oil	13⅝	13¾
Imperial Tobacco	12⅜	12⅝
Int. Metal In. 6 per cent pfd	105½	106
Int. Metal Indust. A	23¼	23¾
Int. Nickel	31¼	32⅛
Int. Petroleum	21	21⅛
Loblaw Groc. A	27¾	27⅞
Montreal L. H. and P.	22½	23
Noranda	50¾	51
Page Hersey Tubes	100	104
Shawinigan W. and P.	17¾	18
Steel of Canada	68¼	69½
Hiram Walker G. and W.	72½	73½
Royal Bank	15	15¼
Dominion Bank	17¾	18

(By Hagar Investments Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
Aldermac	15	—
Aunor	169	170
Bidgood Kirkland	38½	39
Bralorne	1425	—
Buffalo Ankerite	505	525
Canadian Malartic	65	67
C. and E. Corp.	183	185
Central Patricia	200	210
Cons. Smelters	4975	5100
Chesterville	139	140
Coniaurum	141	145
Conwest	110	112
Couchenour Willans	289	290
Dome Mines	2550	2600
East Malartic	223	226
Franceour	62	64
Falconbridge	440	460
Giant Yellowknife	885	890
Hardrock	66	67
Marricana	32½	34
Hollinger	1025	1075
Home Oil	310	315
Hudson Bay Mines	3000	3075
Inspiration	73	79
Kamlac	40	44
Kerr Addison	1150	1175
Kirkland Lake	103	105
Lake Dufault	147	150
Lakeshore	1700	1775
Lamaque	620	630
Leitch Gold	112	114
Little Long Lac	118	120
Madsen Red Lake	216	220
McIntyre	5875	5900
McKenzie Red Lake	140	142
McLeod Cockshutt	214	216
Macassa	375	380
Malartic Goldfields	330	335
Mining Corp.	192	—
Moneta Porcupine	50	55
Negus	113	114
Noranda	5075	5100
O'Brien Mines	215	217
Pend Oreille	135	145
Perron Gold	105	109
Pickle Crow	240	245
Premier	111	116
Preston East Dome	246	250
Queenston	116	118
San Antonio	410	420
Sheep Creek	109	110
Sherritt Gordon	69	70
Siscoe Gold	62	66
Sladen Malartic	51	56
Steep Rock	240	242
Sullivan	153	155
Sylvanite	245	255
Thompson Lundmark	46	48
Teck Hughes	345	350
Trans. Cont. Resources	142	143
Upper Canada	232	233
Ventures	1100	1125
Wasa Lake	125	126
Waite Amulet	470	475
Wright Hargreaves	335	340

TORONTO UNLISTED MINES

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
Alcan	12	14
Amal Larder	100	105
Blondor	38	42
Bravo	18½	20½
Cardinal	15	17
Dom. Malartic	15	17
East Amphi	37	40
Goldora	20	22
Heva	16	18
Hosco	20	23
Jensen	4	6
Kamlac	40	44
Lake Expanse	25	30
Lynx	46	—
Murbell	15	17
Pascalis	33	36
Regina	5	7
Ortona	23	25
Tiffany	16	18
Yellowrex	69	—

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National Car High

MONTREAL (CP)—Securities turned easier on average in trading today up to the final hour on the stock exchange and curb market.

St. Lawrence Corporation "A" and MacLaren edged up in papers. National Steel Car was at a new top in industrials.

Montreal Averages:
20 Industrials 92.50, off .40
10 Utilities 58.50, up .40
15 Golds 76.61, off .55

(By James Richardson & Sons)

	Bid	Asked
Canadian Investment Fund	—	435
Canadian Bank of Commerce	14¼	14½
Dominion Bank	17⅝	18
Imperial Bank	17½	—
Bank of Montreal	17	17½
Royal Bank	15	15¼
Bank of Toronto	29	29½
Abitibi com.	2⅝	2⅞
Aluminum com.	97¾	100
Bell Telephone	162	—
Bathurst A	14⅝	14½
Brazilian Traction	21⅜	21⅞
British America Oil	23½	24
B.C. Packers	25¼	26
B.C. Power A	20½	21½
Canada and Dominion Sugar	24⅝	24¾
Canada Cement	8¾	9
Canada Malting	—	50½
Canada Northern Power	6⅝	6¾
Canada Steamships com.	11	11⅜
Canada Bronze com.	38	39
Canada Car and Fdry. com.	11⅞	12
Canadian Pacific Railway	12¾	13
Dominion Steel and Coal B	7⅞	8
Dominion Stores	14	14½
Fleet Aircraft	3½	3⅝
Ford of Canada A	25	25½
Fraser Co. V.T.	35	36
Gatineau Power	10⅝	11
General Steel Wares	16½	17¼
Hamilton Bridge	5½	5⅝
Imperial Oil	13½	13⅝
Imperial Tobacco	12	12⅛
International Nickel	31	31¼
International Pete	21	21¼
Massey Harris com.	8⅝	8⅞
McColl Frontenac com.	8⅞	9
National Steel Car	18¼	18¾
Power Corporation	6⅛	6¾
Price Bros.	34	35
St. Lawrence Corporation	2⅞	3
Shawinigan Power	17¾	18
South Canada Power	11¼	—
Steel of Canada	68	69
Walker Gooderham com.	73	73½
Winnipeg Electric com.	6	6½

Bonds

(By T. H. Burns & Co. Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
1st Victory Loan 3% 1951	104.60	105.00
2nd Victory Loan 3% 1954	102.75	103.75
3rd Victory Loan 3% 1956	101.25	102.23
4th Victory Loan 3% 1957	100.25	101.25
5th Victory Loan 3% 1959	99.75	100.75
6th Victory Loan 3% 1960	99.50	100.25
7th Victory Loan 3% 1962	99.50	100.25
Alberta 4% 1954	87.50	90.50
British Columbia 3½% 1956	101.00	----
Manitoba 4% 1960	101.50	----
Saskatchewan 6% 1952	95.50	99.50
C.N.R. 3% 1953	101.50	103.00
City of Victoria 3¾% 1968	----	100.60
B.C. Power 4½% 1960	102.50	104.00
Canada Cement 4¼% 1951	102.60	104.00
C.P.R. 3½% 1951	103.50	105.50
Cons. Paper 5½% 1961	105.60	106.75

Calgary Livestock

CALGARY (CP) — Week-end receipts: 1,359 cattle, 55 calves, 188 hogs, 1,047 sheep.

Hogs sold Saturday at 16.35 for A's at yards and plants. Sows 9.50 live weight at yards and plants.

Good to choice butcher steers, 11.00 to 11.50; common to medium 9.00 to 10.75. Good to choice butcher heifers 9.25 to 10.00; common to medium 7.00 to 9.00.

Good cows 7.50 to 8.00; common to medium 6.00 to 7.25.

Good stocker and feeder steers 8.50 to 9.50; common to medium 6.50 to 8.25

City Egg Prices

To producer:

Grade A large	30c
Medium	28c
Pullets	20c
Grade B	20c

Whole price:

Grade A large	35c
Medium	33c
Pullets	25c
Grade B	25c

'Y' Annual Dinner

About 90 guests, including 30 members of the services, will attend the annual Christmas dinner at the Y.M.C.A. sponsored by the board of directors, Toastmasters and Toastmistresses, Tuesday at 6.30.

W. T. Straith, M.L.A., president of Y.M.C.A., will welcome the guests. E. G. Rowbottom will preside and Barry Goult will be toastmaster. Entertainment will be provided by the Red Triangle concert party.

Paratrooper Morgan Due Home Wednesday

Paratrooper J. D. Morgan, son of Ald. and Mrs. W. L. Morgan, is en route home following 14 weeks hospitalization in Georgia, Ald. Morgan reported today.

He is coming via Chicago and should arrive Wednesday afternoon for a month's hospital leave with the family at 1919 Davie Street.

Grain

WINNIPEG (CP)—Wheat export sales featured trading today on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Rye—	Open	High	Low	Close
December	107-6	108-7	107-5	108-7
May	109-7	110-6	109-3	110-5
July	108	108-7	107-5	108-6

Cash Grain Close
Oats—No. 2 cw. 51-4, track 51-4.
Barley—No. 3 cw. 64-8, track 64-6.
Rye—No. 2 cw. 108-7, track 107-6.

CHICAGO (AP) — A steadier undertone developed in grain markets in late trading today when wheat regained some of its early losses and most of the remainder of the futures list turned fractionally higher.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
December	168-6	168-6	168-1	168-3
May	163-5	163-5	162-6	163-1
July	154-4	154-5	154	154-5
Rye—				
December	111-3	111-4	110-3	111-3
May	108-6	109-2	108-3	109
July	107	107-2	106-4	107
Oats—				
December	69-3	70	69-3	70
May	63-6	64	63-4	64
July	59-3	59-6	59-2	59-6
Corn—				
December	114-2	114-5	113-7	114-4
May	110-4	110-5	110-1	110-4
July	110-2	110-4	109-6	110-4

Trading Volume Light

VANCOUVER (CP) — Trading was confined to a few scattered sales in both mines and oils today. Volume was light with a total of 14,400 shares being traded.

(By Mara, Bate & Co. Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
OILS—		
Anaconda	6	7
Anglo-Canadian	75	80
A.P. Con.	13½	—
British Dominion	42	—
C. and E. Corp.	182	190
Calmont	21	25
Commoil	23	—
Commonwealth	30	—
Dalhousie	31	40
Davies Pete	12½	—
Foothills	130	—
Home Oil	310	325
Mercury	7	—
Model	18	20
Okalta	44	53
Pacific Pete	59	63
Royal Can.	3¾	4
Royalite	20	—
Vanalta	8	9
Vulcan	20	—
MINES—		
Bayonne Con.	6½	7
Bralorne	14¼	14½
Cariboo Gold	18	—
Dentonia	4½	5
Bridge River Co.	13⅝	15
Bridge River Ex.	11½	12
Golconda	7	8
Grandview	11½	—
Grull Fihksne	11	12
Hedley Mascot	75	82
Island Mountain	115	130
Kootenay Belle	24	25
Minto	5¾	6¼
Pacific Nickel	15	—
Pend Oreille	130	—
Pioneer	410	425
Premier Border	6½	6¾
Premier	—	114
Privateer	38	42
Quatsino Copper	2¼	2¾
Reeves McDonald	21	24
Reno	—	5
Sheep Creek	110	112
Silback Premier	80	90
Surf Inlet	13	15
Taylor Bridge	11	13
Whitewater	2½	3½
Wellington	1	1¼
Ymir Yank	3¾	5
Capital Estates	325	425
Coast Breweries	182	185
United Distillers	400	425

More Victorians On Yuletide Leave

VANCOUVER (CP) — Among B.C. soldiers who will arrive here this week from service overseas, several are on special Christmas leave granted soldiers who have served five years abroad.

The homecomers include: From Victoria—Lieut. (N.S.) Annie Margaret Christie, Lieut. William Gordon Fawcett, Capt. David Robert Fraser, Lieut. John Duncan Lorimer, Capt. Charles E. C. MacNeill, Capt. William Dennan Reid and Capt. Hugh J. C. Richard.

Capt. John Arthur Harris is coming to Nanaimo.

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